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| 3. | Encik Awang Azieyatul bin Awang Abas | <i>Jabatan Penyiaran Sarawak</i> |
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| 5. | Encik Helmy bin Abdul Rahman               | <i>Jabatan Pertanian Sarawak</i>  |
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5. Encik Abdul Rahman bin Suaidi
6. Puan Siti Norhiza binti Mohammad Yusri
7. Puan Hanisah Abdullah
8. Cik Siti Halimah binti Mohamad Nawawi
9. Puan Hasfarini binti Hassim
10. Cik Nurhaffizah Abdullah
11. Cik Natasha Nadia binti Mohd. Saidi
12. Puan Angela Lisa anak Mathew Linol
13. Encik Felix Aaron anak Michael
14. Cik Calista Abbie anak Sapa @ Patrick Sapa
15. Puan Norziana binti Haji Ahmad
16. Encik Mohd Hasfia bin Abdullah
17. Puan Nur Eliana Abdullah
18. Puan Nazmah binti Darham
19. Puan Tracy Lyana anak Bana
20. Encik Mohd Zulkhairi bin Mohammad Hejemi

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25. Cik Nur Zafirah binti Affendy Michael
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27. Encik Muhammad Elliyas bin Matali
28. Encik Razali bin Awi
29. Puan Nora binti Atem
30. Encik Zahari bin Bolhi
31. Encik Lukas Jammany anak Kated
32. Encik Hazrin Syah bin Hamzah
33. Encik Ruzaimy bin Muhammad
34. Encik Salman bin Jaya
35. Encik Alwie bin Haji Ali
36. Encik Romzi bin Bujang
37. Encik Musa bin Julai
38. Cik Hawa binti Morsad
39. Puan Suraya binti Hamden
40. Puan Noraisah binti Ahmad
41. Cik Siti Zalilah binti Samsawi

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1. Cik Sharina binti Sopian

*(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada pukul 9.10 pagi)*

*[Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]*

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### **PEMASYHURAN DARIPADA TUAN SPEAKER**

**Tuan Speaker:** Bismillahirrahmannirrahim. Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh. Selamat pagi dan Salam sejahtera. Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, dengan hormatnya saya menjemput Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan, Timbalan Premier; dan Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar Kedua untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

**Timbalan Premier; dan Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar Kedua (YB Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan):** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker.

### *Pendahuluan*

Terlebih dahulu, saya ingin mengucapkan setinggi-tinggi tahniah kepada Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak Tun Pehin Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud atas Ucapan Perasmian Persidangan Dewan yang mulia ini pada 15 Mei 2023. Tuan Yang Terutama di dalam ucapan perasmian telah menzahirkan perasaan gembira kerana keadaan politik negara berada dalam keadaan stabil. Pembentukan Kerajaan Perpaduan diharap akan terus membawa banyak kebaikan kepada rakyat di samping menjamin kemakmuran negara. Usaha Kerajaan Sarawak meneroka dan mempelopori ekonomi baharu berasaskan teknologi hijau telah mempelbagaikan aktiviti ekonomi dan meningkatkan hasil Sarawak. Manakala, melalui penubuhan institusi pendidikan dan kemahiran pula telah menghasilkan modal insan yang berkualiti bagi kepentingan dan keperluan ekonomi baharu tersebut. Saya juga mengucapkan jutaan terima kasih kepada semua Ahli Yang Berhormat yang turut serta dalam perbahasan dan memberi pandangan yang bernas berhubung dengan perkara-perkara di bawah bidang kuasa Kementerian Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar.

### *Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu*

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, Kerajaan Sarawak sentiasa mengiktiraf dan mempertahankan hak rakyat ke atas tanah mereka. Pengukuran dan pengeluaran surat hak milik tanah NCR telah dilaksanakan sejak tahun 1960-an lagi khususnya melalui Operasi Penyelesaian (*Settlement Operation*) selaras dengan Bahagian V Kanun Tanah Sarawak Bab 81.

Bagi memastikan pengukuran tanah NCR dilaksanakan secara lebih efisien dan efektif, Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu telah dilaksanakan bermula pada tahun 2010. Melalui inisiatif ini, sehingga 30 April 2023, seluas lebih kurang 1,091,547 hektar atau 2,697,213 ekar telah berjaya diukur secara perimeter dan seluas lebih kurang 842,465 hektar atau 2,081,731 ekar daripadanya telah pun diwartakan sebagai Rizab Komunal Bumiputera (Pertanian) di bawah Seksyen 6 Kanun Tanah Sarawak. Pewartaan bagi baki kawasan yang telah diukur secara perimeter akan dilaksanakan secara berterusan.

Sejak tahun 2017, fokus pengukuran juga ditumpukan kepada pengukuran lot-lot individu di bawah Seksyen 18 Kanun Tanah Sarawak bagi kawasan yang telah diwartakan di bawah Seksyen 6 Kanun Tanah Sarawak berdasarkan permohonan dan kesediaan penuntut-penuntut tanah tersebut.

Sehingga 30 April 2023, sebanyak 68,723 lot individu telah berjaya diukur yang melibatkan kawasan seluas 84,288 hektar atau 208,275 ekar yang telah dan akan dikeluarkan surat hak milik tanah di bawah Seksyen 18 Kanun Tanah Sarawak.

Bagi mempercepatkan pengukuran lot individu tanah ini, penuntut tanah hendaklah hadir semasa pengukuran di lapangan, menandakan sempadan tanah mereka dengan jelas dan mengelak pertikaian dalam membuat tuntutan agar pengukuran berjalan dengan lebih lancar. Kerajaan Sarawak komited dalam memastikan kelangsungan program ini dan akan terus menyediakan dana yang diperlukan di samping dana yang diterima daripada Kerajaan Persekutuan.

*Skim Penempatan Semula (SPS) dan Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK)*

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, pelaksanaan program Skim Penempatan Semula (SPS) dan Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) sejak Rancangan Malaysia Ke-4 merupakan komitmen dan keprihatinan Kerajaan Sarawak terhadap rakyat, lebih-lebih lagi yang berpendapatan rendah yang memerlukan tanah untuk mendirikan rumah.

Di bawah peruntukan Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 dan peruntukan Projek Rakyat sehingga 30 April 2023, sebanyak 62 projek SPS dan SPK telah diluluskan yang akan menyediakan sebanyak 6,190 lot kediaman dengan kos pelaksanaan dianggarkan berjumlah RM985 juta. RM, Ringgit Malaysia lah ya? Daripada 62 projek tersebut, 12 projek telah pun siap sepenuhnya mengikut skop pembangunan dan baki 50 projek akan diteruskan sehingga penghujung Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12.

Sejak 6 Mei 2018, projek-projek SPS dan SPK yang dilaksanakan adalah menggunakan spesifikasi infrastruktur yang telah ditambah baik seperti jalan raya yang berturap, parit konkrit, lot-lot yang ditembok dan sistem retikulasi bekalan air serta bekalan elektrik. Kerajaan Sarawak juga telah menetapkan bayaran premium tanah tidak melebihi RM2,500 bagi setiap lot kediaman di dalam SPS dan SPK walaupun kos penyediaan setiap lot tersebut dalam lingkungan RM120,000 hingga RM150,000. Ini membuktikan keprihatinan Kerajaan GPS yang senantiasa memberi perhatian kepada rakyat yang memerlukan bantuan.

*Pembaharuan Bandar (Urban Renewal)*

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, sejumlah 14 Projek Pembaharuan Bandar (*Urban Renewal*) telah diluluskan di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 dengan siling peruntukan berjumlah RM510.5 juta di mana kesemua projek ini berada dalam pelbagai peringkat perancangan dan pelaksanaan. Antara projek yang dilaksanakan adalah Pembangunan Darul Hana yang mana fasa pertama telah siap sepenuhnya yang menyediakan sebanyak 504 unit rumah kediaman. Setakat 30 April 2023, sebanyak 225 Ketua Isi Rumah (KIR) dari Kampung Semarang dan Kampung Panglima Seman Lama telah berpindah ke Darul Hana dan bakinya sebanyak 92 KIR dijangka berpindah sebelum penghujung tahun ini.

Pada masa yang sama, sejumlah lima cadangan baharu Projek Pembaharuan Bandar telah dikemukakan di dalam Kajian Semula Separuh Penggal RMK-12 dengan anggaran siling peruntukan berjumlah RM186.4 juta sebagai inisiatif berterusan Kerajaan dalam meningkatkan taraf dan kualiti hidup rakyat selaras dengan hala tuju Sarawak Maju menjelang 2030.

*Pembangunan Bandar Baharu (New Township), Pekan Baharu dan Pusat Perkhidmatan (Service Centre)*

Tuan Speaker, pembangunan bandar baharu (*new township*), pekan baharu dan pusat perkhidmatan (*service centre*) di luar bandar turut diberi perhatian khusus. Ini adalah bagi memastikan jurang ekonomi antara kawasan bandar dengan luar bandar dapat dirapatkan. Pembangunan ini membolehkan rakyat menikmati hasil pembangunan secara saksama selaras dengan aspirasi *Post COVID-19 Development Strategy (PCDS) 2030* iaitu kemakmuran ekonomi, keterangkuman sosial dan kelestarian alam sekitar. Oleh itu, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui Lembaga Pembangunan dan Lindungan Tanah (LCDA) dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 akan meneruskan projek-projek tersebut yang berada dalam pelbagai peringkat pelaksanaan. Setakat 30 April 2023, pembinaan Pusat Perkhidmatan Ulu Merapok (Blok 1) di Lawas, Pusat Perkhidmatan Lingga (Fasa

1) di Sri Aman dan pembinaan Medan Selera (Fasa 1) Pusat Perkhidmatan Matadeng di Mukah telah pun disiapkan.

Di samping itu, Kerajaan juga telah menyiapkan kerja-kerja penyediaan tapak dan penembokan tanah bagi komponen perumahan dan komersial di kawasan Bandar Baru Sebuyau, Simunjan, Daro dan Pusat Perkhidmatan Matu. Manakala, penyediaan tapak bagi Pekan Baru Kabong dijangka siap pada suku keempat tahun 2023.

Kerajaan Sarawak akan meneruskan kerja-kerja penyediaan infrastruktur dan pembinaan komponen lain seperti perumahan, pasar tamu, kedai mampu milik dan *cottage industry* dalam pembangunan bandar baharu dan pusat perkhidmatan ini mengikut skop yang diluluskan dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Baleh, Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu merupakan salah satu program yang berterusan dan dilaksanakan di seluruh Sarawak bagi memberi pengiktirafan kepada pemilikan tanah-tanah NCR yang sah. Bagi memastikan program ini berjalan dengan lancar dan efisien, strategi-strategi berikut telah dan akan terus dilaksanakan:

- (a) Menyediakan peruntukan tahunan yang mencukupi untuk membiayai kerja-kerja pengukuran;
- (b) Memperkasa kapasiti pasukan kerja ukur antara lainnya dengan pengambilan seramai 467 pegawai baharu pelbagai kategori dengan kos tambahan tahunan sebanyak RM30 juta;
- (c) Menyediakan program latihan berterusan kepada pegawai-pegawai yang terlibat terutama juruukur dengan kerjasama Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM), Centre for Technology Excellence Sarawak (CENTEXS) dan Land Surveyors Board Sarawak yang dikoordinasi bersama Yayasan Sarawak;
- (d) Meningkatkan penggunaan teknologi dalam proses pengukuran;
- (e) Menambah baik proses kerja yang lebih efisien seperti mewujudkan Jawatankuasa Tanah (*Land Committee*) di peringkat kampung; dan
- (f) Membimbing penuntut tanah membuat persediaan sebelum pengukuran dilaksanakan.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Katibas, di kawasan DUN Katibas, setakat 30 April 2023, sebanyak 20 kawasan seluas 99,871 hektar atau 246,780 ekar telah diluluskan untuk diukur perimeter, untuk diwartakan sebagai Rizab Komunal Bumiputera (Pertanian) Seksyen 6 Kanun Tanah Sarawak di bawah Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu. Daripada jumlah tersebut, sebanyak 11 kawasan seluas 48,732 hektar atau 120,417 ekar telah siap diukur dan dua kawasan seluas 4,515 hektar atau 11,157 ekar belum dapat diukur kerana terlibat dengan pertikaian. Inilah masalahnya, jadi diharap Ahli Yang Berhormat juga akan dapat membantu jika berlaku pertikaian sedemikian rupa untuk kita dapat meneruskan kerja-kerja pengukuran ini.

Manakala, bagi baki tujuh kawasan seluas 42,565 hektar atau 105,178 ekar lagi, empat daripadanya seluas 31,872 hektar atau 78,756 ekar akan dimulakan pengukurannya pada pertengahan tahun ini. Manakala, tiga lagi kawasan seluas 10,693 hektar atau 26,422 ekar dirancang untuk dimulakan pengukurannya pada tahun hadapan tertakluk kepada kesediaan penuntut tanah di lapangan.

Ketua-ketua Kaum atau Ketua Masyarakat bagi mana-mana tanah NCR yang belum lagi diukur bolehlah mengemukakan permohonan kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei Bahagian Kapit.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Serembu, bagi Kawasan DUN Serembu, pengukuran di lapangan bagi lot kediaman di bawah Program Pengukuran Kampung Tradisional

melibatkan tiga buah kampung iaitu Kampung Sungai Pinang, Kampung Seromah dan Kampung Seropak telah pun siap dilaksanakan. Bagi Kampung Sungai Pinang, kesemua 28 lot kediaman telah dikeluarkan Surat Hak Milik Tanah Seksyen 18 Kanun Tanah Sarawak pada 22 Mei 2023. Manakala, pengeluaran Surat Hak Milik Tanah bagi Kampung Seromah yang melibatkan 170 lot kediaman dan Kampung Seropak yang melibatkan 55 lot kediaman akan dilaksanakan setelah tempoh pameran Jadual Tuntutan Tanah NCR tamat pada 5 Jun 2023.

Di bawah Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu, terdapat satu kawasan telah siap diukur lot individu pertanian iaitu Kampung Pisa yang berkeluasan 215 hektar atau 531 ekar. Kesemua 282 lot telah pun dikeluarkan dengan Surat Hak Milik Tanah di bawah Seksyen 18 Kanun Tanah Sarawak. Pengukuran lot pertanian bagi pengeluaran Surat Hak Milik Tanah di Kampung Skio yang melibatkan keluasan 1,172 hektar atau 2,896 ekar kini sedang dalam pelbagai peringkat pengukuran. Sehingga kini, sebanyak 184 lot pertanian telah siap diukur yang melibatkan kawasan seluas 620 hektar atau 1,532 ekar. Pengukuran bagi baki 552 hektar atau 1,364 ekar sedang dilaksanakan. Bagi lot-lot yang telah siap diukur, pengeluaran Surat Hak Milik Tanah akan dilaksanakan selepas tempoh pameran Jadual Tuntutan Tanah NCR tamat.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Opar, sehingga 30 April 2023, di bawah Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu, sebanyak 26 kawasan di dalam DUN Opar yang berkeluasan 12,726 hektar atau 31,446 ekar telah diluluskan untuk diukur perimeter. Daripada jumlah tersebut, sebanyak 18 kawasan seluas 8,411 hektar atau 20,784 ekar telah siap diukur, empat kawasan seluas 2,004 hektar atau 4,952 ekar sedang dalam proses pengukuran dan satu lagi kawasan dirancang untuk dimulakan pengukuran pada tahun hadapan. Tiga lagi kawasan seluas 1,877 hektar atau 4,638 ekar telah terlibat dengan bantahan di lapangan. Daripada 18 kawasan yang telah diukur, sebanyak 15 kawasan seluas 5,808 hektar atau 14,353 ekar telah diwartakan sebagai Rizab Komunal Bumiputera (Pertanian) di bawah Seksyen 6 Kanun Tanah Sarawak.

Bagi pengukuran lot individu Seksyen 18 Kanun Tanah Sarawak pula, sebanyak tujuh kawasan seluas 3,751 hektar atau 9,269 ekar telah diluluskan. Satu daripadanya iaitu kawasan Kampung Temaga Melayu, Sematan seluas 61 hektar atau 151 ekar melibatkan 159 lot telah siap diukur sepenuhnya dan pengeluaran Surat Hak Milik Tanah bagi 157 lot yang bebas daripada pertikaian akan dimuktamadkan dalam masa terdekat. Bagi tiga kawasan lagi yang keseluruhannya berkeluasan 3,329 hektar atau 8,226 ekar, seluas 1,480 hektar atau 3,657 ekar melibatkan 1,517 lot individu telah siap diukur. Manakala baki seluas 1,849 hektar atau 4,569 ekar lagi pengukurannya sedang dilaksanakan. Daripada lot individu yang telah diukur, sebanyak 257 Surat Hak Milik Tanah telah dikeluarkan melibatkan kawasan seluas 210 hektar atau 519 ekar. Bagi baki tiga kawasan seluas 361 hektar atau 892 ekar, pengukurannya akan dimulakan tertakluk kepada kesediaan penuntut tanah di lapangan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Pelagus, setakat 30 April 2023, terdapat dua kawasan di dalam *Licence for Planted Forest (LPF)* telah diluluskan untuk diukur perimeter di dalam DUN Pelagus di bawah Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu dengan jumlah keluasan lebih kurang 6,238 hektar atau 15,414 ekar. Kawasan tersebut melibatkan projek Kawasan 1- Kaki Wong Kiri dengan keluasan 4,779 hektar atau 11,809 ekar yang terletak di dalam LPF/0039 dan LPF/0026 yang kini sedang dalam proses pengukuran perimeter.

Manakala, satu lagi kawasan melibatkan projek Kawasan 3 – Pala Wong Kiri, Batang Rajang Kapit dengan keluasan 1,459 hektar atau 3,605 ekar yang terletak di dalam LPF/0048 yang kini juga sedang dalam proses pengukuran perimeter. Kawasan tersebut akan dikeluarkan daripada LPF berkenaan setelah kerja pengukuran perimeter dan pewartaan sebagai Rizab Komunal Bumiputera (Pertanian) di bawah Seksyen 6 Kanun Tanah Sarawak selesai. Jabatan Tanah dan Survei dan Jabatan Hutan Sarawak sentiasa bekerjasama dan bertukar maklumat untuk memastikan tanah NCR yang sah dikeluarkan daripada kawasan LPF.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Pelagus, Kerajaan Sarawak sentiasa memastikan dana yang mencukupi untuk tujuan pelaksanaan Program Pengukuran NCR Inisiatif Baharu sama ada ia melalui peruntukan Kerajaan Persekutuan atau Kerajaan Sarawak sendiri.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Balingian, melalui RMK-12, SPS Balingian Fasa 2 telah diluluskan dengan nilai siling berjumlah RM2.35 juta untuk penyediaan reka bentuk infrastruktur. Bagi tujuan pelaksanaan infrastruktur asas berspesifikasi baharu, cadangan untuk menaikkan nilai siling RM2.35 juta ke RM14.5 juta telah pun dikemukakan di dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12. SPS ini diwujudkan untuk menampung keperluan lot-lot kediaman penduduk sekitar pekan Balingian seperti Kampung Pulat, Kampung Lintang, Kampung Masjid dan lain-lain kampung di kawasan di sekitarnya.

Manakala, cadangan menaik taraf infrastruktur sedia ada ke infrastruktur spesifikasi baharu telah diluluskan di bawah Projek Rakyat dengan peruntukan RM18 juta bagi SPK Matadeng (Matadeng-Bedengan Sub *Centre* Fasa 1). Proses tender akan dimuktamadkan dalam tahun ini.

Selain daripada itu, terdapat tiga cadangan SPK baharu di DUN Balingian iaitu SPK Jebungan Fasa 2, SPK Sau dan SPK Suyong. Kesemuanya telah dikemukakan di dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 untuk pertimbangan.

Bagi pewujudan SPK di Kampung Teh Labak dan Kampung Siting pula, Jawatankuasa Keselamatan dan Kemajuan Kampung (JKKK) adalah disarankan untuk mengemukakan permohonan rasmi berserta justifikasi kepada Penguasa Tanah dan Survei Bahagian Mukah untuk tindakan selanjutnya.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Batu Kitang, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei (JTS) telah mengemukakan tiga cadangan SPK untuk kawasan DUN Batu Kitang dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 iaitu SPK Batu Kitang, SPK Sebuak dan SPK Bersepadu Kampung Lidah Tanah/ Bukit Panchor/ Bunga Rampai. Manakala, untuk SPK Betong pula, pihak JKKK kampung berkenaan disaran untuk mengemukakan permohonan kepada JTS Kuching dengan menyertakan justifikasi pewujudan SPK tersebut.

Selain itu, cadangan SPK Sandong yang terletak di Kawasan DUN Batu Kawah turut dicadangkan untuk kelulusan dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kalaka, penyediaan pelan susun atur dan kerja reka bentuk bagi SPK Kupang Fasa 1 akan dimuktamadkan pada tahun ini. Manakala, kerja pembinaan infrastruktur dirancang akan dimulakan pada awal tahun 2024 untuk tempoh pembinaan selama 24 bulan.

SPK Kupang Fasa 1 akan menyediakan 134 lot kediaman. Selain bertujuan untuk menampung keperluan lot kediaman bagi keluarga tambahan penduduk Kampung Kupang dan kampung-kampung di sekitarnya, lot berkenaan juga boleh diperuntukkan untuk penduduk yang terlibat dengan bencana alam seperti hakisan sungai.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Simunjan, Kerajaan telah meluluskan pelaksanaan SPK Simunjan di bawah Projek Rakyat bagi menyelesaikan masalah penempatan yang semakin padat di kampung-kampung sekitar pekan Simunjan termasuk menempatkan penduduk yang terlibat dengan ancaman hakisan sungai khususnya dari Kampung Sageng dan Kampung Kelka.

Pelaksanaan SPK Simunjan telah diluluskan pada 22 November 2022 dengan nilai siling berjumlah RM20 juta. Tapak yang diluluskan adalah terletak berhampiran Jambatan Simunjan-Gedong dan berkeluasan 32.9 hektar atau 81.3 ekar. SPK ini dijangka dapat menyediakan sebanyak 280 lot kediaman dan pelaksanaannya adalah secara berfasa. SPK Simunjan Fasa 1 yang menyediakan 100 lot kediaman akan dilaksanakan dalam masa terdekat. Pada masa sekarang, proses pengambilan balik tanah sedang dijalankan.



Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kabong, Skim Pembesaran Hulu Kabong Fasa 1 menyediakan sebanyak 200 lot kediaman. Sebanyak lima lot kediaman telah diperuntukkan, manakala, kelulusan bagi 144 permohonan akan dimuktamadkan kepada pemohon yang terlibat dalam masa yang terdekat.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Engkilili, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei (JTS) telah mengemukakan cadangan pelaksanaan Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) Skrang untuk kelulusan di bawah Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12. Tapak yang dicadangkan adalah terletak bersebelahan dengan Skim Skrang SALCRA sedia ada dan berkeluasan lebih kurang 16.47 hektar ataupun 40.7 ekar untuk menyediakan sebanyak 130 lot kediaman.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Beting Maro, Kerajaan telah melaksanakan Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) bagi Kampung Spinang/ Semarang yang menyediakan 188 lot kediaman di mana sebanyak 185 lot telah diperuntukkan, manakala, baki tiga lot lagi dirizab untuk tujuan kecemasan.

Sementara itu, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei telah mengemukakan permohonan peruntukan bagi pelaksanaan SPK Beladin untuk pertimbangan dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal RMK-12. Selain itu, tapak bagi empat buah SPK iaitu SPK Spinang/ Semarang (Fasa 2), SPK Kalok yang juga dikenali sebagai SPK Seberang Pusa, SPK Beting Maro dan SPK Tambak telah diluluskan oleh Kerajaan untuk dilaksanakan oleh pihak LCDA. Permohonan peruntukan bagi pelaksanaan keempat-empat SPK ini telah dikemukakan dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal RMK-12.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Ngemah, permohonan untuk mengukur dan mengeluarkan Surat Hak Milik Tanah di kawasan penempatan RASCOM di Nanga Ngungun, Nanga Tada dan Nanga Jagau sedang dimuktamadkan oleh Jabatan Tanah dan Survei Sarawak untuk pertimbangan.

Berhubung dengan cadangan pelaksanaan Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) Nanga Ngungun pula, ia telah dikemukakan untuk kelulusan di bawah Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12. Manakala untuk penempatan Nanga Jagau dan Nanga Tada, Jawatankuasa Kemajuan dan Keselamatan Kampung (JKKK) kawasan berkenaan adalah disarankan untuk mengemukakan permohonan rasmi dan justifikasi kepada Penguasa Tanah dan Survei Bahagian Sibu untuk penilaian dan tindakan selanjutnya.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bukit Semuja dan Kabong, setakat 30 April 2023, sebanyak 2,114 bidang tanah dimiliki oleh Pesuruhjaya Tanah Persekutuan atau Federal Land Commissioner (FLC) di seluruh Sarawak. Kegunaan tanah-tanah dimiliki oleh FLC adalah seperti berikut:

- (a) Sekolah: 683 lot;
- (b) Kediaman (Kwarters Kerajaan): 446 lot;
- (c) Kesihatan: 273 lot;
- (d) Keselamatan: 211 lot;
- (e) Komersial: 261 lot;
- (f) Pejabat: 46 lot; dan
- (g) Lain-lain kegunaan: 194 lot.

Berdasarkan semakan Jabatan Tanah dan Survei pada tahun 2019, bilangan tanah milik FLC yang tidak dibangunkan adalah sebanyak 218 lot yang mana kegunaannya adalah seperti berikut:

- (a) Sekolah: 38 lot;
- (b) Kediaman (kuarters Kerajaan): 21 lot;
- (c) Kesihatan: 43 lot;
- (d) Keselamatan: 46 lot;
- (e) Komersial: 17 lot;

- (f) Pejabat: 14 lot; dan
- (g) Lain-lain kegunaan: 39 lot.

Daripada 218 lot tersebut, setakat 14 April 2023 sejumlah 54 lot tanah telah dipersetujui untuk diserahkan balik kepada Kerajaan Sarawak. Manakala, baki 164 lagi akan terus dibincangkan untuk memuktamadkan proses penyerahannya.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Murum, Stesen Penyelidikan Lembaga Minyak Sawit Malaysia (MPOB) di Sungai Asap, Belaga melibatkan dua lot iaitu Lot 1127 Block 26 Punan Land District yang kini dikenali sebagai Lot 1653 Block 26 Punan Land District dan Lot 40 Block 27 Punan Land District. Kedua-dua lot tersebut telah diberi milik kepada MPOB masing-masingnya pada 3 Mei 2010 dan 26 April 2011. Lot 1127 Block 26 Punan Land District disyaratkan untuk kegunaan *office complex* dan *research building*. Lot 40 Block 27 Punan Land District pula disyaratkan untuk kegunaan pertanian.

Berdasarkan maklumat daripada MPOB, operasi perkhidmatan dan penyelidikan di atas Lot 1127 Block 26 Punan Land District telah diberhentikan pada bulan April 2023 disebabkan kos pengoperasian yang tinggi. Ekoran daripada penutupan tersebut, perkhidmatan MPOB yang terdekat boleh diperolehi daripada pejabat MPOB Bintulu. Manakala, aktiviti pertanian dan penyelidikan di atas Lot 40 Block 27 Punan Land District juga telah diberhentikan disebabkan oleh bantahan dan gangguan berterusan oleh sebahagian daripada penduduk kampung di kawasan tersebut yang menuntut tanah sebagai hak milik mereka. Perbincangan dan tawaran pihak MPOB kepada penduduk yang terlibat dalam usaha menyelesaikan masalah tersebut menemui jalan buntu.

Saya menyeru kepada Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Murum, untuk mengadakan perbincangan lanjut bersama pihak MPOB serta penduduk yang terlibat dalam usaha untuk mengoperasikan semula perkhidmatan MPOB di kawasan Sungai Asap, Belaga demi kepentingan semua pihak.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Balingian, Kerajaan telah melulus secara dasar pada tahun 2021 bagi pengeluaran Surat Hakmilik Tanah di bawah Seksyen 13 dan Seksyen 18 Kanun Tanah Sarawak bagi lot-lot yang terletak di sepanjang Jalan Mukah-Balingian termasuk kawasan Setuan Kecil, Setegok, Setuan Besar Balingian, Liuk, Sebetung, Bayan Tasik, Bedengan dan Matadeng yang melibatkan kawasan seluas lebih kurang 14,545 hektar atau 35,940 ekar.

Sehingga kini, beberapa siri dialog dan taklimat bersama pihak yang berkepentingan telah diadakan sejak Mac 2022 hingga kini bagi menjelaskan gerak kerja yang akan dilaksanakan. Dialog dan taklimat ini akan diteruskan bagi semua kawasan yang terlibat. Antara punca kelewatan pengeluaran Surat Hak Milik Tanah ialah terdapat banyak kes perbezaan nama penuntut terkini berbanding dengan nama yang direkodkan di dalam *D-Book* atau di dalam *Settlement Order* serta tuntutan bertindih yang perlu diverifikasi dan diselesaikan.

Di samping itu, majoriti pemohon belum lagi memberi maklum balas terhadap maklumat tambahan yang diperlukan oleh Jabatan Tanah dan Survei. Oleh yang demikian, kerjasama daripada para penuntut dan waris penuntut tanah adalah diperlukan bagi memastikan proses pengeluaran Surat Hak Milik Tanah tersebut dapat berjalan dengan lancar.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Lingga, permohonan pengeluaran Surat Hak Milik Tanah di bawah seksyen 18 Kanun Tanah Sarawak bagi 53 lot kediaman di Kampung Triso Darat melibatkan Lot 137 hingga 189 Block 6 Triso Land District telah diluluskan. Semua pemohon yang terlibat akan dimaklumkan dalam masa terdekat.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Padungan, permohonan pembaharuan Surat Hakmilik Tanah hanya akan diluluskan sekiranya penggunaan semasa tanah tersebut tidak bercanggah dengan syarat guna tanah yang telah ditetapkan. Dalam kes yang melibatkan pelanggaran syarat guna tanah, pemilik dinasihatkan untuk meremеди (*remedy*) pelanggaran

tersebut sebelum permohonan pembaharuan tempoh Surat Hak Milik Tanah dikemukakan atau membuat permohonan tukar syarat dan pecah bahagi tanah untuk pertimbangan.

Terdapat juga keadaan di mana pembinaan rumah kediaman melebihi satu unit di dalam lot pertanian yang sama, jika setelah diverifikasi oleh Jabatan Tanah dan Survei kegunaannya hanya untuk rumah kediaman, pertimbangan akan diberikan untuk melanjutkan tempoh Surat Hak Milik tersebut. Jika ia didapati digunakan selain daripada kegunaan rumah kediaman seperti *workshop* atau kilang, pemilik dinasihatkan untuk meremеди (*remedy*) atau membuat permohonan tukar syarat tanah dan pecah bahagi tanah.

Tuan Speaker, berhubung dengan isu semakan semula kategori tanah dan premium tanah yang dikenakan seperti yang dibangkitkan oleh Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Padungan, secara amnya tanah di Sarawak terbahagi kepada tiga kategori iaitu Tanah Bandar, Tanah Pinggir Bandar dan Tanah Desa. Pada tahun 2022, Kerajaan Sarawak telah membuat semakan semula kategori tanah setelah kali terakhir semakan dibuat pada tahun 1993.

Antara justifikasi yang telah diambil kira dalam semakan kategori tanah ini adalah arah aliran perkembangan bandar (*urban expansion*), trend pembangunan projek semasa, ketersediaan pelan-pelan pembangunan, hierarki bandar, kewujudan taman industri, jarak dari pusat bandar dan pelaksanaan projek berimpak tinggi seperti projek pembaharuan bandar.

Sebagai contoh, nilai pasaran hartanah di kawasan Batu Kawah di dalam DUN Batu Kawah, dari transaksi yang direkodkan oleh Jabatan Tanah dan Survei, tanah kegunaan pertanian di bawah kategori Tanah Desa adalah RM13 semeter persegi atau (RM130,000 sehektar) pada tahun 1993 dan RM300 semeter persegi (RM3,000,000 sehektar) pada tahun 2022. Ini menunjukkan nilai pasaran hartanah pertanian bagi kategori Tanah Desa tersebut merekodkan peningkatan sebanyak 2,200 peratus di antara tempoh berkenaan. Oleh yang demikian, kadar premium tanah bagi pembaharuan tempoh surat hak milik tanah pertanian di bawah kategori Tanah Bandar pada kadar rata RM5,000 seekar adalah berpatutan berbanding nilai semasa tanah tersebut.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Batu Kitang, dalam kes melibatkan *Country Hill Apartment* yang mana pemajunya telah diisytiharkan mufliis atau *bankrupt*. Jabatan Tanah dan Survei akan mengadakan sesi libat urus untuk menyelesaikan permasalahan pembeli yang terlibat berdasarkan Kanun Tanah Sarawak, *Strata Ordinance, 2019* dan lain-lain perundangan yang berkaitan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Batu Kitang juga, Surat Hak Milik Strata Taman Flora Indah yang melibatkan Lot 3847, 3848 dan 3849 Block 218 Kuching North Land District tidak dapat dikeluarkan memandangkan pihak pemaju belum memenuhi kriteria yang ditetapkan mengikut Strata (*Subsidiary Title*) *Ordinance, 2019*.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Balingian, berdasarkan permintaan dan sambutan yang memberangsangkan daripada penduduk tempatan, Lembaga Pembangunan dan Lindungan Tanah (LCDA) telah mengemukakan permohonan untuk melaksanakan Medan Selera Matadeng Fasa 2 dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal RMK-12 untuk pertimbangan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bawang Assan dan Bukit Assek, Kerajaan bersetuju untuk membangunkan semula Bandar Sibul termasuk Projek Pembangunan Semula Bukit Assek. Bagi penyediaan Pelan Induk Pembangunan, Kerajaan melalui Lembaga Pembangunan dan Lindungan Tanah (LCDA) telah melantik perunding kejuruteraan dan senibina antarabangsa iaitu Ramboll Pte. Ltd. yang beribu pejabat di Copenhagen, Denmark dan memiliki cawangan di Singapura pada 23 Februari 2023 untuk menjalankan "*Sibu Cloudburst Masterplan Study (Stage 1: Flood Risk Assessment)*". Kajian ini dijangka siap pada suku pertama tahun 2024.

LCDA juga telah melantik lima perunding juruukur untuk menjalankan survei topografi di lapangan bagi mengenal pasti kawasan "*Flood Risk*". Data ini merupakan salah satu data utama

selain daripada data kajian-kajian terdahulu yang diperlukan dalam penyediaan Pelan Induk Pembangunan Semula Bukit Assek.

Di samping itu, sesi libat urus dan taklimat kepada semua pemegang taruh (*stakeholder*) termasuk para penduduk yang terlibat juga akan diadakan sebelum dan setelah Pelan Induk Pembangunan ini dimuktamadkan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tellian, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui Lembaga Pembangunan dan Lindungan Tanah (LCDA) sedang menyediakan pelan reka bentuk Pembangunan Bandar dan Tebingan Sungai Mukah (*Mukah Urban Development and Waterfront Extension*) dengan cadangan komponen pembangunan *Mukah Community Market dan Waterfront Extension* selain daripada kemudahan infrastruktur, rumah kediaman, rumah kedai dan landskap. Yang Amat Berhormat Premier semasa Perasmian Pesta Kaul pada 29 April 2023 telah bersetuju untuk memberi peruntukan bagi melaksanakan Projek Mukah Waterfront.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kabong, kelewatan projek Pekan Baru Kabong adalah disebabkan oleh proses pemindahan lima buah rumah kediaman yang berada dalam Kawasan projek yang mana hanya dapat diselesaikan pada Februari 2023. Pihak kontraktor telah menyediakan "*catch up plan*" dan sedang giat menjalankan kerja-kerja penyediaan tapak dan penembokan tanah agar dapat disiapkan pada suku keempat tahun 2023.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Stakan, sebelum sesuatu permohonan pembangunan dikemukakan untuk pertimbangan Majlis Perancangan Negeri melalui Jabatan Tanah dan Survei atau Lembaga Kemajuan Bintulu, permohonan pembangunan tersebut hendaklah terlebih dahulu dirujuk kepada jabatan teknikal seperti Jabatan Pengairan dan Saliran Sarawak, Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat, Lembaga Sumber Asli dan Alam Sekitar, Jabatan Kerja Raya dan Sarawak Rivers Board bagi mendapatkan ulasan-ulasan teknikal mengikut keperluan cadangan pembangunan berkenaan. Pihak DID akan memberi ulasan teknikal mengenai pengurusan sistem perparitan dan saliran di kawasan pembangunan tersebut selaras dengan garis panduan *Sarawak Urban Stormwater Management (SUSToM)*. Selain itu, input daripada agensi utiliti seperti pihak Lembaga Air dan Sarawak Energy Berhad juga akan diperolehi sebelum mempertimbangkan permohonan pembangunan perumahan di kawasan terlibat.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Stakan juga, pembangunan keseluruhan Taman Samarindah adalah berdasarkan perancangan keseluruhan masa hadapan guna tanah dan rangkaian jalan bagi kawasan tersebut. Pada masa ini, pembesaran Jalan Datuk Mohammad Musa sedang dilaksanakan untuk menambah baik aliran trafik di kawasan berkenaan. Selain daripada itu, melalui kelulusan pembangunan tanah di sekitar Taman Samarindah, Taman Samarax, Taman Merbau dan Taman Meranti, lima jalan alternatif telah diwujudkan bagi menampung keperluan keluar masuk trafik dari kawasan tersebut ke Kuching Outer Ring Road dan Jalan Datuk Mohammad Musa.

#### *Melestari Khazanah Hutan*

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan Sarawak sentiasa prihatin serta komited untuk mengurus khazanah hutan secara lestari bagi memberi faedah yang berterusan kepada rakyat Sarawak. Selain daripada menjadi habitat semula jadi flora dan fauna, hutan juga sangat penting dalam menyumbang ke arah kestabilan iklim dunia.

Menerusi penambahbaikan dan pemerksaan polisi sedia ada serta pelaksanaan pelbagai program pengurusan hutan secara lestari, setakat Disember 2022, Sarawak masih mampu mengekalkan 7.65 juta hektar atau lebih kurang 62% kawasan litupan hutan di Sarawak. Sarawak merupakan penyumbang terbesar kawasan litupan hutan di Malaysia iaitu sebanyak 42.4% daripada 18.05 juta hektar keseluruhan kawasan berhutan di Malaysia.

### *Laporan Ketua Audit Negara*

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, Laporan Ketua Audit Negara Siri 2 Sarawak yang dibentangkan di Dewan Rakyat pada 16 Februari 2023 yang bertajuk “*Auditan Khas Pengurusan Hutan dan Impak Kepada Alam Sekitar*”, telah mengiktiraf dan mengesahkan bahawa kawasan hutan di Sarawak telah diurus secara berkekalan yang merangkumi aspek alam sekitar, sosial dan ekonomi bagi memenuhi keperluan generasi masa kini dan akan datang. Ini merupakan pengiktirafan yang penting dan sudah tentu mendorong kakitangan Jabatan Hutan Sarawak untuk menjalankan tugas dan tanggungjawab mereka dengan lebih baik.

### *Penghijauan Malaysia & Greening Sarawak Campaign*

Tuan Speaker, Program Penghijauan Malaysia yang telah dilancarkan secara serentak di seluruh negara pada 5 Januari 2021 menyasarkan untuk menanam 100 juta pokok dalam tempoh lima tahun. Sebagai komitmen kepada program Penghijauan Malaysia tersebut, Kerajaan Sarawak komited untuk menanam 35 juta pokok daripada jumlah tersebut melalui *Greening Sarawak Campaign*. Setakat Mei 2023, hampir 22 juta pokok telah ditanam dan merupakan rekod penanaman yang tertinggi di Malaysia. (*Applause*) Tepuklah. Itu pencapaian yang hebat.

### *Hutan Simpan Kekal*

Tuan Speaker, setakat ini, lebih kurang 3.95 juta hektar telah pun diwartakan sebagai Hutan Simpan Kekal yang melibatkan 117 kawasan.

Bagi tahun 2023, dua kawasan Hutan Simpan Kekal yang baharu iaitu *Murum Protected Forest* berkeluasan 7,236 hektar dan *Bakam Forest Reserve* yang berkeluasan 907 hektar telah diwartakan.

Di samping peranannya sebagai hutan pengeluaran, Hutan Simpan Kekal juga penting untuk pemuliharaan kepelbagaian biologi, sumber hasil bukan kayu, kawasan tadahan air dan riadah bagi menyokong aktiviti pemuliharaan di luar Kawasan Terlindung Sepenuhnya (TPA). Terkini, kawasan Hutan Simpan Kekal juga berpotensi untuk dijadikan kawasan penyimpanan karbon.

### *Sarawak Delta Geopark (SDGp)*

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak Delta Geopark (SDGp) yang berkeluasan 311,246 hektar merupakan *Geopark* Kebangsaan yang keenam dan yang pertama seumpamanya di Sarawak. Pengiktirafan ini merupakan satu pencapaian kepada Kerajaan Sarawak dalam usaha pemeliharaan kelestarian alam semula jadi dan pengurusan mampan kawasan berkepentingan yang memiliki nilai *Geopark* yang tinggi berasaskan tiga aspek utama iaitu warisan geologi, biologi dan budaya.

Pengiktirafan SDGp tidak akan mengubah dasar pembangunan sedia ada malahan turut membangunkan sosioekonomi penduduk melalui geopelancongan. Inisiatif geopelancongan juga akan mengintegrasikan usaha pemuliharaan bagi sumber semula jadi dan warisan budaya. Aktiviti penyelidikan melalui penganjuran Ekspedisi Sarawak Delta *Geopark* di kawasan Bau dan Padawan pada 20 hingga 26 Mac 2023, telah disertai oleh 81 orang peserta terdiri daripada penyelidik dan pegawai pelbagai agensi Kerajaan dan *Non-Governmental Organisation* (NGO) yang turut melibatkan penyertaan komuniti setempat seramai 200 orang. Ekspedisi yang bertemakan, “*Unearth the Natural, Cultural and Heritage Treasures*” diadakan untuk mendapat maklumat warisan geologi, biologi dan budaya. Di samping itu, aktiviti kesedaran awam berkenaan SDGp juga telah dilaksanakan yang melibatkan masyarakat tempatan, pelajar serta pengusaha pelancongan.

### *Inisiatif Karbon*

Tuan Speaker, dasar terkini Kerajaan Sarawak adalah untuk mengurangkan kadar penebangan pokok serta pembalakan di Negeri ini. Dalam masa yang sama, kerja-kerja konservasi

dan restorasi hutan dipertingkatkan dalam usaha memastikan agenda kelestarian alam sekitar (*environmental sustainability*) dicapai. Oleh itu, Kerajaan perlu mencari potensi baharu dalam penjana pendapatan dari nilai sumber hutan itu sendiri seperti perdagangan karbon (*carbon trading*).

Kerajaan Sarawak telah memulakan inisiatif karbon berdasarkan pendekatan "*Nature Based Solution*". Melalui pindaan *Forests Ordinance 2022*, dan *The Forests (Forest Carbon Activity) Rules 2022*, yang telah berkuatkuasa pada 1 Januari 2023, perdagangan karbon di Sarawak kini dapat dilaksanakan. Dengan litupan hutan yang luas, Sarawak berpotensi besar untuk menjadi pemain utama dalam pasaran karbon antarabangsa. Sehubungan itu, satu permit kajian karbon telah dikeluarkan kepada sebuah syarikat tempatan bertujuan untuk membuat kajian dan menilai potensi sebenar kawasan tersebut bagi menjalankan aktiviti karbon.

#### *Sarawak Logs Tracking and Forest Revenue System (REVLOG)*

Kerajaan Sarawak melalui Jabatan Hutan Sarawak beriltizam untuk memastikan sistem pengurusan hutan di Negeri ini dipertingkatkan dan dibangun selari dengan kepesatan teknologi dan pendigitalan maklumat. Jabatan Hutan Sarawak telah menambah baik *Sarawak Logs Tracking and Forest Revenue System (REVLOG)* dengan penambahan modul baharu dikenali sebagai *Forest Licensee Portal* yang berkuatkuasa 1 April 2023. Untuk makluman, REVLOG merupakan sebuah aplikasi atas talian yang diguna pakai oleh Jabatan Hutan Sarawak bagi pengurusan hutan dan memantau aktiviti pembalakan dari pengeluaran lesen sehinggalah ke aktiviti selepas pembalakan. Ia juga merupakan satu sistem yang digunakan untuk memantau pergerakan kayu balak di sepanjang rantai pembekalan kayu balak dan juga untuk kutipan hasil cukai hutan. Manakala, *Forest Licensee Portal* adalah merupakan gerbang perkhidmatan atas talian yang membolehkan pihak pelesen kayu balak menghantar permohonan yang berkaitan dengan aktiviti rantai pembekalan kayu balak. Ini telah memberi manfaat kepada Jabatan dan pelesen dari segi peningkatan produktiviti serta kecekapan operasi, pengurangan kos dan perkongsian data dengan agensi-agensi lain.

#### *Pensijilan Pengurusan Hutan di Sarawak*

Tuan Speaker, keberkesanan pengurusan hutan adalah sebaik-baiknya diukur dengan pematuhan terhadap kriteria serta indikator yang telah ditetapkan oleh sesuatu piawaian antarabangsa seperti *Malaysian Timber Certification Scheme (MTCS)* yang juga *affiliated* kepada *Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC)* yang berpusat di Switzerland dan *Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)* yang berpusat di Jerman. Oleh itu, Kerajaan Sarawak mengambil pendirian untuk menetapkan semua kawasan lesen hutan jangka panjang mesti mendapat pensijilan masing-masing pada tahun 2025.

Setakat ini, sebanyak 20 buah Unit Pengurusan Hutan (FMU) dengan keluasan 1.78 juta hektar telah dipersijilkan. Manakala tujuh Unit Pengurusan Ladang Hutan (FPMU) dengan keluasan 97,966 hektar turut dipersijilkan di bawah inisiatif ini. Keseluruhan jumlah kawasan hutan yang telah mendapat pensijilan adalah sebanyak 1.88 juta hektar. Pencapaian status pensijilan hutan ini penting bagi membuktikan pengurusan hutan yang diamalkan di Sarawak adalah memenuhi piawaian antarabangsa dan produk kayu yang dihasilkan boleh dipasarkan secara kompetitif di pasaran global.

#### *Aktiviti Penguatkuasaan Hutan*

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan komited untuk memastikan aktiviti pembalakan haram dalam keadaan terkawal dan akan membanteras kegiatan ini sehingga ke akar umbi.

Sejak tahun 2020 hingga 2022, sejumlah 264 kes kesalahan hutan telah direkodkan. Sebanyak 15 kes telah didaftar untuk pendakwaan di mahkamah, di mana 12 kes telah diselesaikan, dengan lima orang tertuduh telah disabitkan kesalahan, manakala tiga lagi kes masih dalam proses

perbicaraan. Dalam tempoh yang sama, nilai jualan kayu rampasan adalah sejumlah RM4,027,150 manakala kompaun yang dikutip bagi kesalahan hutan adalah berjumlah RM1.6 juta.

Untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, masalah pembalakan haram di Sarawak adalah terkawal. Kejayaan ini adalah hasil daripada strategi penguatkuasaan bersepadu yang telah dilaksanakan. Di antaranya:

- (a) *Political will* yang kuat daripada kepimpinan Kerajaan GPS seperti penubuhan *State Task Force on Illegal Logging*;
- (b) Polisi yang jelas serta peruntukan undang-undang yang kukuh;
- (c) Penggunaan teknologi canggih seperti dron, *sattelite imaging*, hyperspectral, geospacial dan lain-lain;
- (d) Komitmen dan integriti tinggi dalam kalangan pegawai-pegawai penguat kuasa;
- (e) Kolaborasi dan memikul tanggungjawab bersama dengan agensi penguatkuasaan yang lain; dan
- (f) Sokongan padu daripada rakyat termasuk pihak industri per kayu itu sendiri.

#### *Kawasan Terlindung Sepenuhnya (TPA)*

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak Forestry Corporation (SFC) mengawal selia 67 Kawasan Terlindung Sepenuhnya atau Totally Protected Areas (TPA) di Sarawak. Seluas lebih kurang 872 ribu hektar kawasan daratan bersamaan 87.2% daripada sasaran 1 juta hektar kawasan daratan telah diwartakan sebagai TPA. Manakala, bagi kawasan marin, lebih kurang 1.24 juta hektar telah diwartakan. Oleh yang demikian, jumlah keseluruhan kawasan yang telah diwartakan sebagai TPA ialah seluas lebih kurang 2.12 juta hektar.

#### *Projek Rewilding di Kawasan Terlindung Sepenuhnya*

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak Forestry Corporation (SFC) melaksanakan program *Rewilding* untuk memulihkan kawasan terosot (*degraded area*) di Kawasan Terlindung Sepenuhnya (TPA). Program ini menekankan penglibatan komuniti setempat dan pembiayaan daripada badan-badan korporat. Sehingga akhir tahun 2022, sebanyak 87,430 pokok telah ditanam di TPA seperti di Samunsam, Samajaya, Similajau, Taman Tun Ahmad Zaidi dan Bukit Lima.

Antara badan korporat yang membiayai program ini ialah Sarawak Energy Berhad, OM Holdings, Press Metal Sarawak Bhd., Sarawak Tourism Board, Sarawak Shell Berhad dan United Nation Development Program (UNDP). Pembiayaan program ini merupakan komitmen Environmental, *Social and Governance* (ESG) badan-badan korporat tersebut.

Penglibatan komuniti setempat adalah dari golongan B40 yang diberi kontrak untuk mengendalikan kerja-kerja lapangan seperti penyemaian, penanaman dan penyelenggaraan. Sehingga kini, sejumlah RM357,536 telah dibayar kepada komuniti yang terlibat. Dengan ini, saya juga ingin menyeru kepada Badan-badan Korporat yang lain supaya terlibat sama untuk menjayakan program ini.

#### *Pencalonan Taman Negara Niah sebagai Tapak Warisan Dunia*

Tuan Speaker, Taman Negara Niah telah didaftarkan dalam senarai tentatif sebagai calon Tapak Warisan Dunia UNESCO pada 26 Januari 2021. Dokumen akhir *dossier* telah dihantar ke World Heritage Centre, Paris pada 30 Januari 2023 dan telah dilulus untuk dinilai oleh *International Council on Monuments and Sites* (ICOMOS) di antara bulan Jun hingga Ogos tahun ini.

Pelbagai program telah dilaksanakan antaranya *International Conference on Niah National Park for World Heritage Site Nomination* pada bulan September 2022. Program publisiti seperti *online campaign*, video dokumentari dan Program Penglibatan Komuniti akan terus dijalankan untuk

meningkatkan kesedaran awam bagi menyokong dan mengukuh pencalonan Taman Negara Niah sebagai Tapak Warisan Dunia Kedua Sarawak.

#### *Sarawak Reef Ball Project*

Tuan Speaker, kerja-kerja melabuhkan 16,800 unit tukun Reef Ball dari perairan laut Tanjung Datu hingga ke Lawas di bawah Projek Rakyat telah siap dilaksanakan pada bulan September 2022. Fasa 1 Sarawak Reef Ball Project bernilai RM70 juta ini bertujuan untuk memulihara, memperkaya dan melindungi sumber dan ekosistem marin di Sarawak. Kini projek berkenaan berada dalam peringkat pemantauan impak projek terhadap biodiversiti marin dan komuniti. Kerajaan Sarawak juga telah meluluskan pelaksanaan Fasa 2 projek ini dengan kos berjumlah RM30 juta yang akan dilaksanakan secara berperingkat bermula pada tahun 2023. Ianya bertujuan untuk mewujudkan kawasan *sport fishing dan SCUBA Diving* bagi menyokong industri pelancongan marin serta menjalankan projek perintis marikultur batu karang (*coral mariculture*).

#### *RIMBA Sarawak*

Tuan Speaker, RIMBA Sarawak adalah program penyelidikan yang dijalankan oleh SFC untuk membantu pengurusan kawasan yang kaya dengan biodiversiti melalui penglibatan institusi antarabangsa. Salah satu projek penting di bawah program ini adalah Sarawak Hornbill Conservation Project (SHCP) yang merupakan projek kerjasama penyelidikan spesies burung enggang di Sarawak. SHCP yang dijalankan dengan kerjasama Hornbill Research Foundation yang berpusat di Thailand kini telah berada di fasa penyediaan laporan akhir projek. Hasil penyelidikan ini akan digunakan untuk memperkasakan pemuliharaan spesies-spesies burung enggang di Sarawak.

#### *Penguatkuasaan Hidupan Liar dan Kawasan Terlindung Sepenuhnya (TPA)*

Untuk memastikan hidupan liar dan Kawasan Terlindung Sepenuhnya (TPA) sentiasa terpelihara, SFC giat melaksanakan tugas-tugas penguatkuasaan. Dari 2020 sehingga April 2023, terdapat sejumlah 326 kes kesalahan berkaitan kawasan TPA dan hidupan liar telah direkodkan. Daripada jumlah tersebut, sebanyak 34 kes telah didakwa di mahkamah. 30 kes telah dikenakan denda di mana sebanyak RM172 ribu telah dikutip dan seramai 29 orang pesalah dijatuhkan hukuman penjara. Baki empat kes lagi masih dalam proses perbicaraan. Manakala, 135 kes telah dikompaun dengan jumlah kutipan hampir RM434 ribu. 157 kes lagi masih dalam pelbagai peringkat siasatan.

#### *Persidangan Antarabangsa*

Pada bulan Mac yang lepas, Sarawak telah menyertai delegasi Malaysia ke 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Partners To The Partnership For East Asian-Australasian Flyways di Brisbane, Australia. Sarawak Forestry Corporation (SFC) telah melaporkan status terkini Asian Water birds Census dan Bako Buntal Bay yang merupakan satu-satunya lokasi East Asia-Australasian Flyway Network Site di Malaysia.

Selain itu, SFC bersama International Primatological Society (IPS) dan Malaysian Primatological Society (MPS) akan menganjurkan International Primatological Society - Malaysian Primatological Society (IPS - MPS) Joint Meeting 2023 bertemakan, "*Primates and People: A New Horizon*" yang akan diadakan pada 19 hingga 25 Ogos 2023. SFC telah diberi penghormatan untuk menyampaikan ucap tama (*keynote address*) di mesyuarat peringkat antarabangsa ini sebagai pengiktirafan kepada SFC dalam usaha berterusan pemuliharaan dan penyelidikan *primates*.

#### *Geran Penyelidikan*

Tuan Speaker, pada tahun 2022 dan 2023, Sarawak Forestry Corporation bersama Sunway Malaysia serta syarikat teknologi dari Jepun iaitu *Funlead* dan *Aerosense* telah berjaya mendapat geran penyelidikan daripada Asia-Pacific Telecommunity untuk membuat kajian hutan paya bakau dengan jumlah keseluruhan RM1.3 juta. Kajian yang melibatkan penggunaan teknologi dron yang



terkini dari Aerosense dan penggunaan *Artificial Intelligence* (A.I.) yang dibangunkan oleh *Funlead* bertujuan untuk mengenal pasti komposisi dan tahap kesihatan pokok-pokok di Taman Negara Rajang Mangrove pada tahun 2022 dan di tapak Ramsar Taman Negara Kuching Wetland pada tahun ini.

### *Isu- isu Spesifik*

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Pujut, Piasau Nature Reserve (PNR) memainkan peranan yang amat penting kepada Miri sebagai sebuah banda raya peranginan. Pelbagai usaha telah dilakukan untuk mengubah PNR daripada satu kawasan penempatan sebelum ini, kembali kepada keadaan semulajadi. Program penghutanan semula "*Bringing Back the Rainforest*" bukan sahaja menjadikan PNR sebagai *Green Lung* untuk Bandaraya Miri, malahan menyediakan habitat yang kondusif bagi haiwan liar khususnya bagi spesis burung enggang *Bruie* atau *Oriental Pied Hornbill*.

Pada tahun lepas, lebih daripada 8,000 orang pengunjung yang datang ke PNR bagi tujuan rekreasi dan menikmati keindahan alam semulajadi serta memanfaatkan kemudahan-kemudahan awam sedia ada. Dalam usaha berterusan untuk menjadikan PNR satu destinasi eko-pelancongan unggul di Banda raya Miri, sebuah *Nature Discovery Centre* akan dibangunkan yang merangkumi pembinaan ruangan pejabat, kedai cenderahati, Pusat Interpretasi dan kemudahan awam yang lain. Projek Rakyat ini telah diluluskan pada Jun 2022 dengan peruntukan sebanyak RM30 juta. Setakat ini, pelaksanaan projek ini di dalam peringkat reka bentuk dan pembinaan dijangka bermula pada tahun 2024.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Batu Lintang, empat kriteria sedia ada dalam pengiktirafan Taman Negara Gunung Mulu sebagai *UNESCO World Heritage* adalah memadai dan berdasarkan kepada nasihat pakar (*expert advice*) tiada keperluan untuk memasukkan Kriteria V.

### *Industri Perakayuan Nilai Eksport Produk Perakayuan*

Prestasi industri perakayuan Sarawak bagi tahun 2022 menunjukkan peningkatan nilai eksport sebanyak 2%peratus kepada RM3.95 bilion berbanding RM3.88 bilion tahun 2021.

Bagi tempoh suku pertama 2023, nilai eksport produk perakayuan menunjukkan penurunan sebanyak 28% kepada RM752 juta berbanding RM1.04 billion pada tempoh yang sama tahun 2022. Penurunan jumlah eksport ini adalah kesan daripada pengurangan import produk utama seperti papan lapis, balak dan papan gentian oleh Negara Jepun dan India.

Dalam tempoh tersebut, Jepun masih merupakan pengimport utama bagi produk perakayuan yang menyumbang sebanyak RM377 juta atau 50% daripada keseluruhan nilai eksport Sarawak. Pasaran utama lain adalah India sebanyak RM99 juta, negara-negara Timur Tengah sebanyak RM80 juta, Taiwan sebanyak RM41 juta dan China sebanyak RM37 juta.

Pada masa ini, eksport produk perakayuan masih lagi tertumpu kepada eksport produk utama (*primary product*). Justeru itu, industri perakayuan disyorkan mentransformasikan aktiviti dan operasi mereka dengan mengeluarkan lebih banyak produk perakayuan nilai tambah tinggi (*high value-added products*), menggunakan lebih banyak bahan-bahan mentah dari ladang hutan dan buluh secara optima.

Pengeluar dan pengeksport barangan kayu tempatan juga mestilah berdaya saing di pasaran tempatan dan global dengan mengadaptasi teknologi *Industrial Revolution 4.0* (IR4.0) yang menekankan teknologi automasi dan digital. Oleh yang demikian, pihak industri perlu berubah dan komited untuk melaksanakan retooling dalam operasi mereka sesuai dengan bekalan bahan mentah yang diperolehi dari ladang hutan.

Dalam Post COVID-19 Development Strategy (PCDS) 2030, Kerajaan telah mengenal pasti beberapa industri dan produk baharu yang berpotensi untuk dimajukan dengan mampan seperti industri biojisim (*biomass*), perabot, industri berasaskan buluh dan kayu kejuruteraan (*engineered wood*).

Penganjuran Persidangan Antarabangsa Kayu Kejuruteraan pada 16 hingga 17 Mei 2023 oleh PUSAKA telah berjaya membuka minda pemain-pemain industri per kayu serta pemegang taruh yang berkaitan tentang potensi industri dan produk ini di pasaran tempatan dan global. Pembangunan industri ini dijangka akan menjadi *game changer* untuk mencapai produk nilai tambah tinggi serta mengoptimumkan penggunaan sumber bahan mentah dari ladang hutan.

PUSAKA juga mengadakan kolaborasi dengan rakan strategik seperti Jabatan Hutan Sarawak, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), Forest Research Institute Malaysia (FRIM), Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS) dan sebagainya untuk melaksanakan pelbagai penyelidikan dan pembangunan (R&D) bagi meningkatkan keupayaan pengeluaran produk nilai tambah industri per kayu.

Usaha ini adalah komitmen berterusan Kerajaan untuk memacu kelestarian industri per kayu agar sentiasa relevan dan berdaya saing. Namun, pihak industri juga haruslah komited untuk anjakan paradigma bagi menyokong dan merealisasikan aspirasi Kerajaan Sarawak untuk mencapai kemakmuran ekonomi, keterangkuman sosial dan kelestarian alam sekitar.

#### *Isu- isu Spesifik*

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Stakan, PUSAKA telah merangka pelan pembangunan industri berasaskan buluh di Sarawak di mana Tapak Semaian Buluh diwujudkan di kawasan selatan, tengah dan utara Sarawak. Ia bertujuan untuk membekalkan keperluan benih bagi membangunkan sekurang-kurangnya 10,000 hektar ladang buluh di Sarawak menjelang tahun 2030. Di antara industri berasaskan buluh yang telah dikenal pasti adalah industri biochar (*melange biochar*), perabot, basikal buluh, farmaseutikal, kosmetik, tekstil, makanan dan *biomass*.

Bagi tujuan pembangunan modal insan pula, PUSAKA turut melaksanakan program komuniti dan latihan kemahiran berasaskan buluh. PUSAKA juga mengadakan kolaborasi bersama agensi-agensi berkaitan serta pihak pelabur tempatan dan asing dalam memajukan industri ini.

Manakala, bagi industri perabot pula, PUSAKA telah melaksanakan beberapa inisiatif untuk memajukan industri ini di Sarawak. Antaranya, ialah, cadangan pembangunan *Furniture Park* di Demak Laut, Kuching dan Tanjung Manis di Mukah, program pereka perabot atau *SayD'signer Programme* serta program libat urus dengan bakal pelabur-pelabur tempatan dan asing yang telah dikenal pasti berminat untuk melabur di dalam industri ini.

Tuan Speaker,

#### *Pemeliharaan Dan Pemuliharaan Alam Sekitar*

Pemeliharaan dan pemuliharaan alam sekitar merupakan salah satu agenda utama Kerajaan Gabungan Parti Sarawak (GPS). Antara inisiatif yang telah diambil adalah melalui penguatkuasaan *Natural Resources and Environment (Prescribed Activities) Order, 1994* oleh Lembaga Sumber Asli dan Alam Sekitar Sarawak (NREB). *Order* ini menyenaraikan kategori projek pembangunan yang diwajibkan untuk menjalankan kajian impak alam sekitar (*Environmental Impact Assessment - EIA*) dan keperluan mendapatkan kelulusan dari NREB.

Pihak pemaju bertanggungjawab untuk mematuhi terma dan syarat yang terdapat di dalam laporan EIA berkenaan dan mengemukakan *Environmental Monitoring Report (EMR)* iaitu tindakan pematuhan ke atas terma dan syarat kelulusan EIA yang telah diambil. Pemantauan berterusan dan verifikasi akan dijalankan oleh pegawai NREB di lapangan bagi memastikan pematuhan pemaju

projek dalam membendung dan mengurangkan impak negatif terhadap alam sekitar.

Manakala, bagi projek-projek yang tidak memerlukan kajian EIA, pihak pemaju diwajibkan mematuhi Garis Panduan Pengurusan Alam Sekitar (*Environmental Management Guidelines - EMG*) bagi tujuan kawalan dan meminimalkan impak negatif kepada alam sekitar. Setakat ini, NREB telah menyediakan enam (6) EMG iaitu untuk aktiviti-aktiviti pembangunan pertanian, infrastruktur, hartanah, akuakultur, pemindahan bahan tanah dan pasir. Manakala EMG bagi aktiviti-aktiviti penternakan, tapak pembuangan sampah, tapak tanah perkuburan dan rumah sembelihan sedang dimuktamadkan.

### *Kualiti Udara dan Jerebu*

Kualiti udara dan keadaan jerebu menjadi kebimbangan pihak awam khususnya dalam fasa peralihan Monsun Barat Daya yang bermula pada Mei 2023 dan dijangka akan berterusan sehingga September 2023. Berdasarkan data yang diperolehi daripada Jabatan Meteorologi Malaysia, dalam tempoh tersebut kebanyakan kawasan termasuk Sarawak akan mengalami cuaca kering dan kurang hujan. Bahagian Kuching, Samarahan, Sri Aman dan Betong dijangka menerima purata hujan bulanan antara 150 milimeter hingga 200 milimeter, manakala lain-lain Bahagian menerima purata hujan bulanan antara 180 milimeter hingga 400 milimeter.

NREB dan Jabatan Alam Sekitar (JAS) sentiasa bekerjasama dalam aktiviti pemantauan kualiti udara, jerebu dan menjalankan penguatkuasaan secara berterusan. Berdasarkan Indeks Pencemaran Udara (IPU) yang dicatat dari Januari sehingga April 2023, kualiti udara di Sarawak adalah dalam lingkungan kategori baik sehingga sederhana dengan bacaan IPU di bawah 100. Pada tempoh yang sama, *ASEAN Specialised Meteorological Centre (ASMC)* yang berpusat di Singapura melaporkan sejumlah 25 titik panas (*hotspot*) telah dikesan di Sarawak.

Bagi menangani masalah jerebu, NREB telah menghentikan pengeluaran permit pembakaran terbuka sejak April 2023 yang lalu. Mereka yang disabit kesalahan melakukan pembakaran terbuka tanpa permit yang sah boleh didakwa di bawah Seksyen 30(1)(a) dan Seksyen 30(2) *Natural Resources and Environment Ordinance, 1993*. Jika sabit kesalahan, boleh dikenakan denda tidak melebihi RM100,000 atau penjara selama lima (5) tahun atau kedua-duanya sekali.

Tuan Speaker,

### *Anugerah Alam Sekitar Premier Sarawak (Premier Sarawak Environmental Award - PSEA)*

Kerajaan Sarawak melalui Lembaga Sumber Asli dan Alam Sekitar Sarawak (NREB) telah mengadakan Majlis Penyampaian Anugerah Alam Sekitar Premier Sarawak (*Premier Sarawak Environmental Award - PSEA*) kali ke-10 pada 14 Disember 2022 yang lalu. Inisiatif ini diadakan untuk mengiktiraf usaha dan komitmen penjagaan alam sekitar oleh pelbagai pihak berkepentingan di Sarawak. PSEA ke-10 telah mencatatkan 144 penyertaan dan merupakan yang tertinggi sejak penganjurannya pada 2001.

Saya ingin mengambil kesempatan ini untuk menyeru kepada semua pihak agar lebih komited dalam mengambil inisiatif serta usaha penjagaan alam sekitar yang berterusan dengan menggabungkan alam sekitar, sosial dan tadbir urus (*Environmental, Social and Governance - ESG*) dalam urusan dan operasi harian organisasi mereka. Semua pihak harus membudayakan sikap prihatin terhadap alam sekitar bagi memastikan ianya kekal terpelihara untuk generasi masa kini dan akan datang.

### *PENUTUP*

*Kicauan unggas nyanyian alam,  
Memecah keheningan di pinggir kali,*

*Bicara saya pengakhir kalam,  
Di DUN akan datang bertemu kembali.*

*Padi dituai di tengah huma,  
Ditampi atas tanju buluh,  
Eratkan perpaduan kita bersama,  
Agar damai dan harmoni semakin kukuh.*

*Angin menderu di Pantai Damai,  
Safari memancing di Pantai Belawai,  
Gayu guru gerai nyamai,  
Selamat Menyambut Hari Gawai.*

Demikianlah saja ucapan penggulungan saya bagi Kementerian Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar. Sekian, terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat we have a break. Sitting resumes at 11.15 a.m.

*(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada jam 10.54 pagi)*

*(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada jam 11.31 pagi)*

*[Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]*

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, dengan hormatnya saya menjemput Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan, Timbalan Premier; dan Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa, Industri dan Pelaburan untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

**Timbalan Premier; dan Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa, Industri dan Pelaburan (YB Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan):** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker, once again, I would like to thank Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, for his kind advice during his Opening Address in this august House. Among others, Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak stressed the importance of unity among the *rakyat* which has contributed significantly to the rapid socioeconomic development in Sarawak.

The last couple of years have been challenging for everybody because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Most economies have experienced downturns due to weaken global growth prospects where Sarawak was not spared from the downturn. But the Government of Sarawak, led by the strong leadership of the Yang Amat Berhormat Premier of Sarawak, implemented the Post COVID-19 Development Strategy 2030 to put us back on the right track towards becoming a high-income economy by the year 2030. The six economic sectors, supported by seven enablers have been identified to leapfrog the State towards achieving this goal.

In line with this, my Ministry will continue to work closely with the Federal Government to implement all relevant initiatives and strategies so that our industries and entrepreneurs grow stronger and prosper. I would like to thank the Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for their constructive comments and suggestions on issues affecting my Ministry.

I will now report on my Ministry's achievements thus far.

#### **PERFORMANCE OF INVESTMENT IN SARAWAK**

Investment is necessary to catalyse our development and spur more economic activities and employment opportunities. In 2022, Sarawak recorded a total investment of RM32 billion, creating more than 5,000 new employment opportunities. The primary sector contributed RM22.3 billion, followed by manufacturing sector at RM5.2 billion and services sector at RM4.5 billion.

## PERFORMANCE OF MANUFACTURING SECTOR

For manufacturing related investments in the period of 2022 until the first quarter of 2023, Sarawak has approved RM9.6 billion for 87 projects. These investments are expected to create more than 6,700 employment opportunities. Among the major projects approved in this period were in the following sectors:

- (a) Electrical & Electronic Products – RM6.29 billion (substrates for hard disk drive, solar ingot & wafer and processed semiconductor wafer);
- (b) Basic Metal Products – RM2.58 billion (copper foil, metallic silicon, etc);
- (c) Plastic Products – RM167 million (plastic pipe);
- (d) Services – RM110.4 million (warehouse, logistics & cold storage); and
- (e) Chemical and Chemical Products – RM106 million (fertiliser).

Under PCDS 2030, manufacturing is among the six economic sectors identified to propel Sarawak's GDP to grow at 6% to 8% per annum, necessary for us to achieve developed economy status by the year 2030. This sector had contributed RM37.2 billion or 28.4% towards Sarawak economy and employed more than 167,000 people in 2021. Thus, Sarawak Government will continue with its business-friendly policy to attract more investments so as to create more businesses and employment opportunities in Sarawak.

Sarawak remains a popular destination for investment in this region. With borders fully opened, movement of goods and people are resuming to pre-pandemic levels. Consequently, several projects in Sarawak are making good progress. The RM5.7 billion methanol projects at Petchem Industrial Park in Bintulu is nearing completion of its construction phase.

Sarawak Shell Bhd. is investing about USD5 billion to commercialise the sour gas from Sarawak offshore and is building Onshore Gas Plant 1 (OGP 1) within the Petchem Industrial Park at Tanjung Kidurong, Bintulu. OGP 1 Project is currently under site preparation and targeted to proceed with construction this year. At the same time, PTTEP HK Ltd. of Thailand (PTTEP) is also considering to invest USD5 billion to commercialise their sour gas discovery. Final Investment Decision (FID) will be taken by them by early 2024.

SEDC through its wholly owned subsidiary, is partnering with an American investor in a medical glove manufacturing project worth RM130 million at Petchem Industrial Park. The project is at construction stage and expected to be operational by early 2024.

SEDC is also partnering with investors from South Korea and Japan in two hydrogen projects worth about RM24 billion. Currently, both projects are at Front End Engineering Design (FEED) stage and are also targeted to achieve FID by 2024 in order to be able to start operation by the year 2027.

PETROS, as our Sarawak Oil and Gas GLC, is also growing very fast and pursuing major projects and investments:

PETROS Upstream is now one of the top 3 players in Malaysia with daily production of 100,000 barrel-of-oil equivalent from its equity share in five oil and gas fields Production Sharing Contract (PSCs). In 2022, PETROS Upstream earned RM450 million nett income after tax. It also has equity share in 12 Exploration and Appraisal PSCs, through carried interests from investors to Sarawak. PETROS Upstream capital investment budget for 2023 is RM 1.2 billion.

PETROS Downstream is also growing very fast. To enable the Sarawak Gas Roadmap of bringing accessible, affordable, and sustainable gas to all parts of Sarawak, PETROS is investing in a 400MW Combined Cycle Power Plant in Miri, in collaboration with Sarawak Energy Berhad (SEB), as well as investing in a 24-inch pipeline to supply gas from Bintulu to Samalaju Industrial Park. The combined capital investment of the projects is estimated at RM2 billion. PETROS is also undertaking a study with a multinational player, to supply gas to Kuching, and transform our capital city to be a

new gas and energy hub. PETROS is also discussing with SEB to build new gas fired powerplant in Kuching and to retire the existing coal fired powerplant.

PETROS is also expanding its LPG business and aspiring to capture 100% of the subsidised household-market share by the year end. To enable this, its subsidiary, PNiaga, is injecting investment of RM60 million.

Sarawak Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) potential is being seriously explored. PETROS has been granted approval-in-principle for a CCS license for the F-block offshore Sarawak; to begin the operationalisation of the State Land Code amendments approved by this august House during the previous DUN sitting.

PETROS is working closely with PETRONAS, as the investor, to convert the M1 depleted gas field into the first CCS project in Sarawak with capital investment estimated at RM2.5 billion. A Development and Storage Agreement is being developed, together with an application for M1 Storage Permit in compliance with the Sarawak Land Code, Land (Carbon Storage) Rules, 2022.

Tuan Speaker, several investors have firmed up their investment intentions and submitted applications for consideration of the Government with regards to their proposed investments, including:

- (a) Proposed basic metal for EV components project from Hong Kong worth RM6.3 billion;
- (b) Proposed urea and melamine project from China worth RM1.65 billion;
- (c) Proposed basic metal for EV components project from Australia worth RM900 million; and
- (d) Proposed chemical project from South Korea worth RM709 million.

Besides this, there are new investors who are in early discussions with the Government to implement their projects in Sarawak which include:

- (a) Proposed basic metal for solar PV project from China worth RM5 billion;
- (b) Proposed green metal project from Japan worth RM4.4 billion;
- (c) Proposed basic metal for EV components project from Australia worth RM3.04 billion; *and*
- (d) Proposed chemical project from China worth RM571 million.

Tuan Speaker, while these are testaments to the attractiveness of Sarawak as an investment destination, we must not lose sight of the fact that Sarawak is not only competing with neighbouring countries, but also with the other States in Malaysia for investments. Therefore, Sarawak must continue to leverage on its competitive advantages, particularly on the availability of green renewable energy to stand out as an attractive investment destination.

Existing investors are confident in the economic development of Sarawak. Despite global uncertainties, several companies are proceeding with reinvestments in Sarawak. This has generated positive multiplier effects to our economy. For example, in Sama Jaya Free Industrial Zone, the high-tech industry cluster is:

- (a) Employing more than 15,000 employees where 98% of them are locals Sarawakian;
- (b) Paying RM758 million in annual wages;
- (c) Contributing RM917 million to the local economy; *and*
- (d) Exporting RM8.9 billion of E&E products and components.

Meanwhile, Samalaju Industrial Park is designated for the energy intensive industry cluster. The contributions from this industrial park include:

- (a) Employing around 8,300 employees where 83% of them are locals Sarawakian;
- (b) Paying RM532 million in annual wages;

- (c) contributing RM5.4 billion to the local economy; and
- (d) exporting RM18.4 billion of basic metal products.

We welcome all investments, both FDI as well as DDI, not only in the upstream but also downstream and value-adding industries that are in line with PCDS 2030. We will prioritise investments that promote economic prosperity, social inclusivity and environmental sustainability.

### TRADE PERFORMANCE

Tuan Speaker, in 2022, business activities improved significantly as borders opened that saw increase in passenger traffic and visitors. Sarawak's total trade in 2022 increased 43.9% to RM217.2 billion from RM150.9 billion in 2021, resulting in an increase of 67.3% of our trade surplus to RM88.2 billion in 2022 from RM52.7 billion in 2021.

Total exports increase 50% to RM152.7 billion in 2022 from RM101.8 billion in 2021 for items such as LNG, palm oil, crude oil, and aluminium. Meanwhile, total imports increased 31.4% to RM64.5 billion from RM49.1 billion in 2021 for the top import products such as chemical products, refined petroleum products, aluminium ores, motorcars and fertiliser.

The top trading partners for Sarawak in 2022 were Japan, China, Peninsular Malaysia, South Korea, India, Australia and Singapore. The establishment of Invest Sarawak and the Sarawak Trade and Tourism Offices in Singapore and soon in Brunei and Kalimantan, Indonesia will further assist our SMEs to explore and expand their markets beyond Sarawak's shores.

I would also like to urge our business communities, especially export oriented SMEs, to leverage on Malaysia's membership in Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) and Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) to optimise their costs so that their products can be more competitive in regional and global markets.

### ENTREPRENUER DEVELOPMENT

SMEs have contributed significantly to the growth of Malaysia's socio-economy where it represents up to 97.4% of total business establishments in the country (DOSM, 2021). For 2021, the contribution of SMEs to Malaysian GDP is at 37.4%, which provides 47.8% of employment opportunities.

It is essential that we continue to support and nurture the growth of our SMEs so that their contributions can be further enhanced through implementation of various initiatives by the Government. Therefore, my Ministry will continue to collaborate with State and Federal agencies as well as business communities and chambers of commerce.

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SMEs

In general, financial assistance can help SMEs to overcome financial barriers and fund growth initiatives such as expansion, market access and new product development. As such, my Ministry will continue to support our SMEs through various financial assistance in strengthening their business capability.

Among the financial assistance offered through my Ministry includes grants such as *Program Graduan ke Arah Keusahawanan* (GERAK) and *Usahawan Teknikal dan Vokasional* (USTEV). These programs are meant to assist graduates and school leavers with technical skills to start and expand their businesses. To date, RM10.91 million has been disbursed to 1,291 SMEs.

Similarly, Go Digital Program is to encourage SMEs on boarding into digital entrepreneurship through provision of grant amounting RM10,000 to successful applicants. Since its inception in 2021,

the program has disbursed a total of RM6.0 million to 600 SMEs throughout Sarawak. For 2023, RM5.0 million has been allocated to implement this program and expected to benefit 500 SMEs.

My Ministry is also providing soft loans at a low interest rate of 4% based on monthly reducing balance through *Skim Kredit Mikro Sarawak (SKMS)* and *Skim Pinjaman Industri Kecil dan Sederhana (SPIKS)*. To date, RM101.6 million has been disbursed and benefited more than 2,500 SMEs. This includes 258 B40 entrepreneurs who enjoyed interest-free loans up to maximum of RM10,000.00 per applicant. Total loan approved for B40 entrepreneurs amounting to RM1.9 million.

In addition, Sarawak Government provides interest subsidy schemes for 3.5 years to eligible SMEs under Special Relief Fund (SRF), Targeted Relief & Recovery Facility (TRRF), PENJANA Tourism Financing (PTF), SKMS and SPIKS. These schemes were introduced to ease SMEs financial burden during pandemic. Currently, 4,702 SMEs are still benefiting from these interest subsidy schemes totalling RM83.44 million. *Sarawak adalah satu-satunya Kerajaan di Malaysia yang menyediakan subsidi kadar faedah kepada Perusahaan Kecil dan Sederhana (PKS).*

For the record, Sarawak Government has implemented various initiatives and assistance under BKSS 1.0 to 9.0 involving the allocation of RM6.7 billion. These initiatives and assistance have provided a relief to the *rakyat* including the business communities during the very challenging period. *Sebagai tambahan, Kerajaan Sarawak juga telah melanjutkan diskaun bil elektrik termasuk Perusahaan Kecil dan Sederhana sehingga Jun 2023.*

#### CAPACITY BUILDING

Capacity building is important for SMEs to grow and become more agile in rapidly changing business environment. Therefore, to strengthen our SMEs entrepreneurial competencies, my Ministry has conducted various programs and activities such as:

- (a) Digital Entrepreneurship Programme: Shopee Mall, Digital Marketing, YouTubing, Smartphones, social media, Creative Content Courses and *Randau Digital*;
- (b) Basic Entrepreneurship Programme: Basic Accounting and Business courses;
- (c) Technical Entrepreneurship Programme: Food Processing Courses, Hairdressing Courses and Sewing Technology courses;
- (d) Food Handling courses;
- (e) *Jum REGISTA* programme; and
- (f) Product Promotion at international and national expos, Showcase *Usahawan* at various towns, and mass media promotion.

From 2021 until the first quarter of 2023, more than 36,000 entrepreneurs have benefited from various programmes provided by my Ministry such as financial assistance schemes, capacity building courses, eCommerce and product promotions.

Besides my Ministry, other agencies such as SME Bank, SME Corp. Malaysia, TEKUN Nasional; Ministry of Public Health, Housing and Local Government (MPHLG); FAMA, SEDC, SKM, SDEC, JKMS; and other agencies have also provided various assistances to local SME including small and petty traders. From 2021 to first quarter of 2023 more than 100,000 entrepreneurs have been assisted with total value of RM225.6 million.

Tuan Speaker, on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2023, I chaired the Sarawak Entrepreneur Development Coordination Committee (SEDCC) meeting where the Honourable Minister of Entrepreneur Development and Cooperative Malaysia also attended. The presence of the Honourable Federal Minister shows a strong commitment from the Federal Government to work closely with us for the benefit of our local SMEs.

The committee has approved two entrepreneurship development initiatives namely the Review of Business Registration Process in Sarawak, and Micro, Small and Medium Entrepreneurs (MSME)



Database System Development which shall be developed by this year. These initiatives will assist to enhance the ease of doing business in the State, particularly among our local SMEs.

#### DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND BUSINESS PREMISES

Now, I would like to update this august House on the development of industrial parks and *Anjung Usahawan* premises in Sarawak by my Ministry. The status of the projects to date are as follows:

- (a) Five Industrial Parks project have been completed, namely Kapit Industrial Park, Demak Laut Industrial Park Phase 2B, Betong Industrial Park (Phase 1), Sri Aman Industrial Park and Sematan Industrial Park (Phase 1);
- (b) Projects are under construction, which are:
  - (i) Five Industrial Parks in Bau, Sibul, Rantau Panjang, Samalaju SME Cluster and Marudi; and
  - (ii) Five *Anjung Usahawan* in Sematan, Telok Melano, Gedong, Lawas and Sundar.
- (c) 33 projects are under various stages of pre-implementation such as site identification, siting application, appointment of consultants, engineering design and preparation of tender. They are:
  - (i) 13 Industrial Parks project in Kuching, Sebuyau, Meradong, Dalat, Song, Long Lama, Limbang and Lawas;
  - (ii) 17 *Anjung Usahawan* in Simunjan, Pakan, Kabong, Lubok Antu, Debak, Kampung Bungin, Daro, Dalat, Balingian, Meradong, Song, Beraya, Bekenu, Long Lama, Limbang, Kuala Lawas and Trusan; and
  - (iii) Three Processing Centres at Punang and Awat-Awat.

My Ministry will finalise the Master Plan for the Development of Industrial Terminals in Sarawak this year. When completed, the Master Plan covering 5 locations, namely Kuching, Tanjung Manis, Tanjung Kidurong, Samalaju and Lawas, will serve as a guide to develop a holistic programme that explores bold and innovative ways to transform Sarawak into a developed economy by the year 2030. Some key plans to transform the industrial and economic landscape in Sarawak to include:

- (a) Lawas to be developed into an industrial hub in the north end of Sarawak by embracing environmental sustainability through green energy development and other industry transformation;
- (b) Kidurong to leverage on its natural gas resource and be transformed into a new generation chemical hub. It will venture further downstream to extract the high value from downstream chemical value chain and leverage on green hydrogen industry, carbon capture and other initiatives;
- (c) Samalaju to be further extended and focus on new sectors based on new energy and green energy industries such as batteries and its associated value chain, along with other transformed green industries such as green steel and silicon;
- (d) Tanjung Manis to be transformed into a regional halal industrial hub, focusing on agrotech industry as well as confined environment agriculture, nature-based carbon economy and the transformed timber industry; and
- (e) Kuching to be a knowledge industrial hub focusing on the high-tech electronics, hydrogen, and smart manufacturing industries.

The study is timely for the mid-term review and the coming 13<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan to justify the new projects necessary for us to achieve our objectives as set out in PCDS 2030.

Tuan Speaker, saya ingin mengucapkan terima kasih kepada Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Katibas, Tebedu, Tupong, Kalaka, Pelagus, Stakan, Beting Maro dan Baleh di atas cadangan-cadangan berkaitan dengan program latihan dan bantuan keusahawanan, pemasaran produk, Anjung Usahawan dan taman perindustrian. Kementerian saya akan mengkaji cadangan daripada Ahli-Ahli Yang Berhormat tersebut untuk dipertimbangkan.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tebedu, the land premium rate for Tebedu Industrial Park has been revised to RM10 per square feet for filled land and RM5 for unfilled land in 2017. To assist companies, they can apply for payment of premium over 5 years. Furthermore, if the company completes the project and is operational within three, five or seven years depending on the scale of the project, from the date of issuance of the document of title, they will be able to enjoy the 30% rebate on land premium. The land premium for industrial lot in Sarawak comparatively is among the lowest in Malaysia. At the same time, companies can also apply for other incentives such as Pioneer Status Incentive, Investment Tax Allowance, or Re-investment Allowance by Federal Government.

#### **PERKHIDMATAN AWAM NEGERI SARAWAK**

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tellian, bagi memperkasa pelaksanaan projek-projek pembangunan, sejak 2018 Kerajaan Sarawak telah mewujudkan 505 jawatan teknikal di mana 85% jawatan telah diisi untuk diagihkan di jabatan-jabatan seperti Jabatan Kerja Raya, Jabatan Pengairan dan Saliran, Pihak Berkuasa Tempatan dan jabatan teknikal lain. Bagi Jawatan Teknikal yang telah diisi untuk Bahagian Mukah adalah seperti berikut:

- (a) 10 jawatan untuk JKR Mukah;
- (b) 3 jawatan untuk Jabatan Bekalan Air Luar Mukah;
- (c) 3 jawatan untuk Jabatan Pengairan dan Saliran Mukah;
- (d) 2 jawatan untuk Majlis Daerah Dalat dan Mukah; dan
- (e) 1 jawatan untuk Pejabat Residen Bahagian Mukah.

Kerajaan Sarawak akan memastikan keperluan kapasiti bagi jabatan dan agensi akan dikaji semula dari semasa ke semasa. Berhubung dengan pelantikan Pegawai Daerah Mukah, seorang pegawai telah dikenal pasti untuk mengisi jawatan tersebut dan pelantikan beliau akan dimuktamadkan dalam masa terdekat.

#### **PERMOHONAN WAKAF MELALUI TABUNG BAITULMAL SARAWAK DAN PEJABAT DAERAH**

Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tupong telah membangkitkan isu mengenai pertindihan proses permohonan pendaftaran wakaf di Tabung Baitulmal dan permohonan lesen pungutan awam di Pejabat Residen. Kerajaan Sarawak menghargai pandangan dan saranan yang telah disuarakan oleh Ahli Yang Berhormat. Kerajaan Sarawak akan meneliti perkara ini dengan lebih lanjut dengan melihat kepada proses sedia ada, peraturan dan undang-undang yang berkaitan bagi mengemaskini dan menyelaraskan proses-proses tersebut agar isu ini dapat diselesaikan.

#### **PERMOHONAN BINA BARU SURAU KAMPUNG LITONG DALAM PROJEK RAKYAT**

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Balingian, Jabatan Agama Islam Sarawak dalam proses memuktamadkan skop dan reka bentuk cadangan pembinaan semula surau Kampung Litong sebelum permohonan rasmi dikemukakan untuk pertimbangan Kerajaan.

**PERMOHONAN BINA BARU MASJID DAERAH SONG, MASJID KABONG,  
DAN SK AGAMA RGC BELADIN**

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Katibas, buat masa ini terdapat Masjid Nurul Islam di Kampung Gelam Song di Pekan Song yang boleh menampung seramai 500 jemaah dalam satu-satu masa. Walau bagaimanapun, bagi menampung keperluan semasa termasuk pertambahan jemaah di kawasan tersebut, Jabatan Agama Islam Sarawak akan mencadangkan tapak yang sesuai untuk pembinaan masjid baharu di kawasan tersebut untuk pertimbangan Kerajaan.

Manakala, status pembinaan baharu Masjid Kabong yang dibangkitkan oleh Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kabong, tender bagi pembinaan Masjid Baharu Daerah Kabong akan dikeluarkan pada bulan Julai 2023 dan pembinaan masjid tersebut dijangka dimulakan pada penghujung tahun ini.

Berhubung dengan cadangan pembinaan SK Agama RGC Beladin yang dibangkitkan oleh Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Beting Maro, cadangan tersebut akan diteliti semula bersama dengan Jabatan Pendidikan Negeri Sarawak berdasarkan kadar *enrollment* murid Tahun 1 di kawasan Beladin.

**MALAYSIA AGREEMENT 1963**

Tuan Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Yang Amat Berhormat Dato' Seri Anwar bin Ibrahim on his appointment as the 10<sup>th</sup> Prime Minister of Malaysia.

I am very thankful to our Right Honourable Prime Minister and the Federal Government for the commitment to honour the constitutional rights of Sarawak in respect to the implementation of Malaysia Agreement 1963, which is manifested through the establishment of *Majlis Tindakan Pelaksanaan Perjanjian Malaysia 1963*. It is our fervent hope that all matters that have been agreed be implemented immediately.

As we all know, the Malaysia Agreement had been agreed in 1963, and not yesterday. In this regard, I would like to reemphasize what has been mentioned by the Prime Minister in his recent speech at the Unity Government Convention, on issues related to MA63, where the Right Honourable Prime Minister quoted:

*“the most important thing for the current leadership is to fulfil the promise made by the nation’s founding fathers after independence.”*

Therefore, MA63 is the foundation for the formation of our nation. In fact, there is no Malaysia if there is no Malaysia Agreement 1963. That is why it is important for the Federal Government to sincerely honour and fulfil the constitutional rights of Sarawak, who is an equal partner in the formation of the Federation. Hence, we will continue to pursue this agenda on MA63 as enshrined in the Federal Constitution, Malaysia Agreement 1963, IGC Reports, the Constitution of the State of Sarawak and the State Laws.

It is high time for the Federal Government to focus more on decentralisation, instead of centralisation. The recognition of the Sarawak Public Works Department (JKR) and Drainage and Irrigation Department (DID) as technical departments under the Treasury Instruction 182, is applaudable, as now the Sarawak Government has the authority to implement Federal projects in Sabah and Sarawak with a limit of up to RM50 million. This is a clear manifestation that the decentralisation is a right move and in fact necessary for the Sarawak Government to be given more autonomy so that we could deliver services to the *rakyat* in a very effective manner. We will continue to pursue with Federal Government to have more federal projects approved for Sarawak and the funds to be directly channelled to the State.

It is also our hope that the issue on the decentralisation or empowerment to Sarawak Government on education and health will be addressed by the Federal Government in order to enhance and upgrade the education and health services in Sarawak, for the benefit and wellbeing of the people of Sarawak.

#### THE 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF SARAWAK INDEPENDENCE

Tuan Speaker, this year marks the diamond anniversary of independence of Sarawak and the formation of Malaysia. Throughout these 60 years, our leaders from the late Right Honourable Tan Sri Datuk Amar Stephen Kalong Ningkan to the present leadership of Right Honourable Premier, have guided Sarawak to achieve many important milestones in State and Nation building.

Our economy has diversified from primary and maturing more into secondary and tertiary sectors. The standards of living of Sarawakians have improved by leaps and bounds with modern infrastructure, better education, housing, nutrition, health services, more employment opportunities, social amenities, among others.

It is indeed a very remarkable journey for Sarawak. All of these would not have been possible without peace, harmony, racial inclusivity and unity as well as political stability that we all work hard to preserve. These have allowed Sarawak to grow and further develop our economic sectors. Bigotry has no place in Sarawak. The Sarawak GPS Government does not engage in meaningless politicking. Rather, we are committed to serve the *rakyat* with dedication and commitment to propel Sarawak to greater heights. We want our *rakyat* to prosper. No one shall be left behind in this journey.

I would also like to take this opportunity to urge everybody, including the private sector to continue working with the Government to achieve greater success. The private sector is the engine of growth, and the Government will continue to provide a conducive ecosystem for businesses to grow and for us to prosper together. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Yang Amat Berhormat Premier of Sarawak for his visionary leadership as he steers Sarawak towards the next phase of our development driven by data and innovation. We are confident that Sarawak will achieve the status of a developed-state and high-income economy by the year 2030. Saya juga dengan hormatnya menyokong penuh usul penghargaan ke atas ucapan Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak.

#### PENUTUP

Sebelum mengakhiri Ucapan Penggulangan ini, saya ingin menyampaikan penghargaan kepada Tuan Speaker kerana berjaya mengendalikan persidangan DUN dengan tegas dan baik yang memudahkan urusan kita berjalan dengan lancar. Saya juga ingin mengucapkan terima kasih kepada semua pegawai yang terlibat dalam menjayakan persidangan ini.

Akhir sekali, saya ingin mengucapkan sekali lagi, Selamat Hari Gawai dan Selamat Hari Raya Aidiladha kepada semua Ahli Yang Berhormat dan seluruh rakyat Sarawak.

*Sarawak kaya hasil bumi,  
Bijak diusah, pulangan berganda,  
Teknologi hijau pemangkin ekonomi,  
Pendapatan dijana, alam sekitar terjaga.*

*Rakyat Sarawak berbilang bangsa,  
Lepas Raya Gawai pula,  
Mohon maaf kepada semua,  
Lantang senang nguan menoa.*

*Sungguh bertuah bumi kenyalang,  
Dapat pemimpin yang bijaksana,  
Perbezaan budaya bukan penghalang,  
Hidup bersama aman sejahtera.*

Dengan itu, saya mengakhiri ucapan penggulungan bagi Kementerian Perdagangan Antarabangsa, Industri dan Pelaburan. Terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, dengan hormatnya saya menjemput Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas, Timbalan Premier; dan Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Kedua untuk menyampaikan Ucapan Penggulungan.

**Timbalan Premier; dan Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Kedua (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas):** Terima kasih Tuan Speaker, first of all, I would like to express my utmost appreciation to Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, Tun Pehin Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud for his Opening Address in the First Meeting of the Second Session of the Nineteenth Dewan Undangan Negeri on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023. His Excellency's Address will certainly serve as an invaluable guide for us in discharging our duties and responsibilities as we steer Sarawak towards becoming a high-income economy by 2030.

For the last few days, Ahli-Ahli Yang Berhormat have debated and highlighted various issues and challenges that we face in our continuous efforts to develop and transform Sarawak. Through our rigorous efforts in implementing our innovative initiatives and farsighted policies, we have been able to bring about rapid development in our State. However, we must not rest on our laurels. We must strive to do better and to remain resilient and competitive given the challenging and volatile economic situation.

#### ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE 2022 AND PROSPECTS FOR 2023

Tuan Speaker, I would like to update this august House on the world, nation, and the State latest economic performance and its outlook for 2023.

#### *Global Economic Performance 2022 and Prospect for 2023*

2022 has proven to be a challenging year for the global economy. Many countries continue to wrestle with the cumulative effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Some countries have had to deal with new outbreaks as well as ongoing political and economic turmoil. Lingering supply disruption, high commodity prices, elevated inflation, and interest rates have weighed on global economic activities.

Global inflation rose by 4.7% in 2021 to 8.7% in 2022, prompting many central banks around the world to tighten their monetary policy and to rapidly raise interest rates. This has led to increased Government borrowing and larger capital outflows. In addition, growth in the global economy slowed from 6.3 % in 2021 to 3.4 % in 2022.

The United States economy grew at 2.1% in 2022 with its labour market stayed firm, while unemployment rates and consumer spending remained solid. Likewise, the economy in Euro Area registered 3.5 % growth in 2022, 0.4% higher than predicted by earlier estimates. In China, the rapid spread of the COVID-19 pandemic and its strict zero-COVID policy dampened growth, bringing its overall economic growth down to 3% in 2022. However, following the lifting of its zero-COVID policy at the end of December 2022, the Chinese Government introduced fiscal support and targeted monetary measures to support recovery efforts. With that, China's economy is expected to grow at 5.2% in 2023.

Overall, the global outlook, particularly in advanced economies, remains fragile. Global economic growth weighed down by elevated cost pressures is projected to slow to 2.8% in 2023.

Despite recent signs of improvement and lower commodity prices, the global inflation rate is projected to remain high at 7% in 2023. The unexpected collapse of Silicon Valley Bank and Credit Suisse has triggered concerns about financial vulnerabilities. Trade tensions are high, and the escalation of geopolitical uncertainties continue to pose headwinds to the global outlook.

*Malaysia Economic Performance 2022 and Prospect for 2023*

Despite the challenges faced throughout 2022, Malaysia's economy expanded strongly, reaching 8.7 % growth. The main factors contributing to this were the full lifting of containment measures, resilient growth in exports, particularly in commodities, and electrical and electronic (E&E) products, the revival of tourism activity, and continued policy support from the Government. Furthermore, the strengthening of labour market conditions has led to an increase in private consumption, providing further support to our economic recovery.

The reopening of our economy has contributed to significant improvement in public and private investments through the resumption of construction activity and the continued investments by firms in automating and digitalising their operations. Nonetheless, responding to high inflation, Bank Negara increased its Overnight Policy Rate (OPR) from 1.75 % in 2021 to 2.75 % in 2022.

In 2023, Malaysia's economy is projected to grow between 4% and 5%. This is despite slowing global economic growth, which is expected to affect exports, and the likelihood that inflation will remain high, impacting household and business spending.

*Sarawak Economic Performance in 2022 and the Prospects for 2023*

Tuan Speaker, moving on, I shall update this august House on the Sarawak economy. We are pleased to report that Sarawak is well on the way to economic recovery. In 2022, we witnessed strong improvement in external trade. Sarawak as a net commodity exporter, particularly in oil and gas, has benefited from the global increase in commodity prices. The return of most economic activities and businesses has benefited our domestic economy. Our Gross Domestic Product growth was estimated to improve from 2.9 % in 2021 to a range of between 5.5 % to 6.5 % in 2022. However, our actual economic performance in 2022 will only be known once the Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) releases its official figures.

The services sector is expected to register a robust growth of 7.7 % in 2022, with broad-based improvement in all segments of the services industry. Business activities, particularly in wholesale and retail trade, and accommodation, as well as in transport and logistic subsectors, continue to improve. This is mainly driven by local spending and tourism-related activities. The number of visitors increased by 7 times from 547 thousand in 2021 to 3.99 million in 2022. The promising trend is continuing. In the first three months of 2023, the number of visitors increased to 1.63 million, a threefold increase over the corresponding period in 2022. This will certainly help to boost the recovery and growth of Sarawak's tourism sector, benefiting domestic tourism players and local industry. Along with progressive improvement in trade-related industry and the property markets, the services sector is projected to grow at 6.2% in 2023.

The manufacturing sector is estimated to expand by 6.8 % in 2022 increasing production of LNG, basic metals as well as electrical and electronic products. At the same time, the operationalisation of the Pegaga gas project in March 2022 has contributed to the increased output of the mining sector. The mining sector was estimated to expand by 2.7 % in 2022 and is projected to further expand in 2023 when the Kasawari gas project will come on stream. In addition, increased demand from our major trading partners, particularly Japan, and rising demand from the domestic industrial and petrochemical sector, will lead to an increase in natural gas production.

Meanwhile, the agriculture sector was expected to report a marginal growth of 1.2% in 2022. This growth is a result of the increased production of palm oil in the second half of 2022 and improvements in the labour market. Total production of palm oil increased from 3.9 million tonnes in

2021 to 4 million tonnes in 2022, a 2.5% increase. In the first three months of 2023, the production of oil palm has shown positive growth of 4.9%, or an increase of 38,000 tonnes compared to the corresponding period in 2022, with prices averaging at RM3,967 per tonne in Sarawak.

The construction sector is expected to register slower growth in 2022 at 5.0 %. The sector was disrupted by the impact of inflation on the cost of construction materials and the continuing labour shortages, particularly in the first half of 2022. With the easing of the labour shortage issue and the implementation of Variation of Price (VOP 2.0) under *Bantuan Khas Sarawakku Sayang* (BKSS) 9.0, the performance of the construction sector gradually improved in the final quarter of 2022. This is especially seen in the implementation of various State Government projects. Besides that, the construction industry in 2022 was also supported by the property segment with residential property dominating the market. As the Sarawak Government accelerates the implementation of Post COVID-19 Development Strategy 2030 (PCDS 2030), coupled with lowered prices for construction materials, and the initiative to allow advance payment for contract work, the construction industry is expected to gain further momentum in 2023.

#### *Demand Side*

On the demand side, Sarawak's total trade expanded strongly from RM150.9 billion in 2021 to RM217.2 billion in 2022, an increase of 44%. Driven by strong commodity prices and higher demand, exports grew by 50%. At the same time, imports grew by 31.3%, largely as a result of growth in intermediate and capital goods. This is in line with the recovery of businesses and industries as a whole. External demand is projected to remain favourable in 2023. However, there is the downside risk that the slowing of the global economy may weigh on Sarawak's exports. Nonetheless, total trade in the first two months of 2023 showed an increase of 4.3% from the corresponding period last year.

On the consumption side, private consumption improved in 2022, with growth expected to reach 6.8%, resulting from better employment and pent-up demand as the economy improved. Higher private consumption was also reflected by the increased number of private vehicles registered in Sarawak during this year, indicating improvement in consumer spending power. Policy measures implemented by both the Sarawak and Federal Government, particularly assistance to lower income households through the continuation of BKSS 9.0, cash transfers, and Employees Provident Fund (EPF) related measures have also provided support to consumer spending. Private consumption is expected to grow in 2023, with signs of continuous improvement in household spending and continued improvements in labour market conditions. In addition, the revision in individual income tax rates in Budget 2023, as well as cash transfers are expected to full further support and augment household income.

Public consumption contracted by 21.3% in 2022 as a result of the much lower spending on COVID-19 related support. In 2023, public consumption is expected to be moderate, supported by emoluments spending driven by the special additional annual salary increment of RM100 for civil servants and the absorption of contract officers to permanent positions, particularly in the health and education services.

As for public investment, RM6.2 billion was expended in 2022 compared to RM5.2 billion in 2021. Expenditures included continued implementation of existing infrastructure projects, as well as higher capital expenditure for improvement of the commercial and industry sectors, and the social development sector.

Private investment was estimated to grow at 10.4% in 2022, supported by realisation of ongoing investments. A total of RM5.2 billion was invested by the manufacturing sector in 2022. At the same time, investment in capital and intermediate goods has also expanded. With the continuous recovery in the economy, Sarawak will be able to secure more investment and ensure smooth implementation of ongoing investment projects in 2023. As of the first quarter of 2023, a total of RM1.77 billion worth of investment has been approved.

We foresee that Sarawak's economy will remain resilient and robust, supported by stronger domestic activities in 2023 and vigorous implementation of infrastructure projects under the Twelfth Malaysia Plan. We are, however, aware that global uncertainties and the downward trend in oil prices may affect our external demand. Overall, Sarawak economy is projected to grow between 5% and 6% in 2023.

#### *Inflation*

Sarawak is not shielded from the impacts of global inflation. Higher costs of production and materials pushed Sarawak's inflation up by 3.1% in 2022. Inflationary pressure is much felt in the food and non-alcoholic beverages segment, for which inflation increased by 5.5% in 2022.

For the first quarter of 2023, Sarawak registered an average inflation rate of 4%, whilst inflation for food and non-alcoholic beverages rose to 8.2% compared with the corresponding period in 2022. Nonetheless, considered on a month-on-month basis, the overall inflation rate is declining.

Although the outlook remains highly uncertain, overall inflation for Sarawak is projected to average between 2.5 % and 3.5 % in 2023 as global cost factors moderate and commodity prices decreased.

#### *Labour Market*

The normalisation of the economy has contributed to positive improvement in the labour market in Sarawak. Preliminary statistics showed that Sarawak's labour market has returned to full employment. Our unemployment fell from 4.5% in 2021 to 3.1% in 2022. Supported by the ongoing recovery, particularly in the services sector and tourism-related services, it is projected that the labour market will remain at full employment in 2023.

### **PERFORMANCE OF PROJECTS IMPLEMENTATION UNDER THE TWELFTH MALAYSIA PLAN (12MP)**

I wish to update Members of this august House on the implementation of various development programmes and projects under the Twelfth Malaysia Plan.

#### *Twelfth Malaysia Plan State Funded Projects*

A total of 1,104 State funded projects with a ceiling of RM30 billion has been approved. Of this amount, 748 or 67.8% are physical projects while the remaining 356 or 32.2% are non-physical, which includes grants, contributions, investments, programmes, and events.

As of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, out of 748 physical projects, 184 projects or 24.6% have been completed while the remaining 564 projects, or 75.4% are still at various stages of implementation. The cumulative expenditure from the year 2021 up to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 was RM11.3 billion or 37.7% against the total 12MP ceiling. The Government will continue to expedite the implementation of the planned projects and at the same time, introduce new measures to reduce and mitigate sick and delayed projects.

#### *Performance of Rural Transformation Projects (RTP)*

Under the Twelfth Malaysia Plan period, a total of 5,255 rural transformation projects with an allocation of RM876.3 million has been approved. As of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, a total of 2,936 projects, or 55.9%, has been completed while the remaining 2,319 projects, or 44.1%, are still at various stages of implementation. The cumulative expenditure from year 2021 up to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 was RM302.2 million or 34.5% against the total approved allocation.



*Performance of Projek Rakyat*

A total allocation of RM1.5 billion was allocated to fund the implementation of 592 approved projects for the years 2021, 2022, and 2023. As of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, a total of 223 projects, or 37.7% have been completed, while the remaining projects are still at various stages of planning and implementation. Cumulatively, a sum of RM946.97 million has been spent within the same period.

Tuan Speaker, we are committed to expediting infrastructure development in Sarawak. We are putting more effort into implementing numerous projects under the *Projek Rakyat*, particularly roads and bridges, water and electricity, social amenities, agriculture facilities, and other socio-economic projects. These projects stimulate the growth and development of Sarawak's economy and improve the well-being, the quality of life of our people, especially the rural population. *Projek Rakyat* are people-centric projects that addresses the urgent needs to the *rakyat* and development issues at the local level.

Tuan Speaker,

*The Twelfth Malaysia Plan Federal Funded Projects*

Under the First Rolling Plan (2021-2022), the Federal Government approved a total of RM3.34 billion for the implementation of 921 projects. In terms of financial performance, a sum of RM1.97 billion, or 59.11% of the approved allocation had been expended as of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021.

Under the Second Rolling Plan (2022-2023), a total of RM3.24 billion has been allocated for the implementation of 960 projects. In terms of financial performance, RM3.09 billion or 95.25% of the allocation has been expended as of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022.

Meanwhile, under the Third Rolling Plan (2023-2024), a total of RM4.12 billion has been approved for the implementation of 1,002 projects. As of April 2023, 27.76% of the allocation has been spent. In terms of physical performance, out of 1,002 projects, 198 projects have been completed, 195 projects are at various stages of implementation, 609 projects are at the pre-implementation stage, and five projects are pending approval from various authorities.

**FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE STATE, 2022 AND FIRST QUARTER 2023**

Tuan Speaker, I would like to highlight the financial performance of the State for the year 2022 and the first quarter of 2023.

*Ordinary Expenditure, 2022*

The total Ordinary Expenditure in 2022 was RM10.76 billion, of which RM4.19 billion was expended on operating expenditure while RM6.6 billion was appropriated to the Development Funds Account to meet expenditure for the implementation of various development programmes.

*Development Expenditure, 2022*

With regards to development expenditure, the State has expended a sum of RM6.263 billion or 82.3% of the total Development Budget for the year 2022. Now, allow me to update the members of this august House on the performance of State revenue and expenditure for year 2023.

*Revenue, 2023*

As of 30<sup>th</sup> April, this year, the State has collected a revenue of RM5.004 billion or 45% of the projected revenue of RM11.035 billion. These are contributed by the following sources:

- (a) State Sales Tax of RM1.906 billion;

- (b) Cash compensation in lieu of oil and gas rights of RM1.62 billion;
- (c) Dividends of RM7.1 million;
- (d) Raw water royalty of RM171 million;
- (e) Interest income of RM258 million;
- (f) Forestry receipts of RM103 million;
- (g) Land premium of RM45 million;
- (h) Federal grants and reimbursement of RM24 million; and
- (i) Other sources such as mining royalties, water sales and land rents contributed RM127 million.

#### *Expenditure, 2023*

As of 30<sup>th</sup> April this year, the State has spent RM1.241 billion or 31% of the approved Ordinary Expenditure, while a sum of RM845 million or 11% has been expended for its Development Expenditure.

Tuan Speaker, in this respect, I urge all Controlling Officers and Heads of Departments to continue their commitment to ensuring the successful execution of projects under their purview, as well as ensuring projects are delivered on schedule and within budget, and the targeted projects' outcomes are met.

#### REVENUE RE-ENGINEERING

I would like to touch on the progress of the revenue reengineering initiatives undertaken by the State.

#### *SST on Export of Selected Timber Products*

The Sarawak Government has approved the introduction of State Sales Tax (SST) on the export of selected timber products, namely sawn timber, veneer, woodchips, fibreboard, particle board and plywood, at the rates of 1% to 2.5%. The effective date of the imposition of the sales tax is to be 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023.

The revenue generated from the introduction of SST on the export of selected timber products will be invested in transforming the timber industry from primary processing to producing higher value-added products, in line with Sarawak's aspiration that by the year 2030, about 60% of the export value of timber and timber products will be from high-value products such as engineered wood and furniture.

#### REVIEW OF SPECIAL GRANT TO SARAWAK

Sabah and Sarawak are assigned additional sources of revenue which are not applicable to other States. One of the additional sources of revenue is the special grant. As enshrined under Article 112C(1)(a) of the Federal Constitution, the Federal Government is obligated to provide a special grant annually to Sabah and Sarawak. This special grant shall be reviewed every 5 years, or such a period as may be agreed between the Federal and the States, or State concerned as stipulated under article 112D of the Federal Constitution.

A proposal to review the special grant was initiated and submitted by Sarawak to the Federal Ministry of Finance in 2012 and has been subsequently brought up to Special Committee under MA63. After years of discussions, we are grateful to the Federal Government for agreeing to increase the amount of the special grant for Sarawak from RM16 million annually to an initial sum of RM300 million, effective this year. Nonetheless, this amount is not fixed, as a final sum is subject to a formula to be agreed upon by both the State and Federal Governments.

**REVIEW OF PEMBERIAN BERDASARKAN TAHAP PEMBANGUNAN EKONOMI,  
INFRASTRUKTUR DAN KESEJAHTERAAN HIDUP (GERAN TAHAP)**

Tuan Speaker, for the information of this august House, the Federal Government gives an annual grant to all the States to assist them in accelerating economic development and upgrading the living standard of the people. This is in line with the Government's objective of achieving balanced socio-economic development among the different regions. The grant is known as *Pemberian Berdasarkan Tahap Pembangunan Ekonomi, Infrastruktur Dan Kesejahteraan Hidup* or in short, *Geran TAHAP*.

*Geran TAHAP* was formulated by considering the levels of economic development, infrastructure, and well-being of the people in each State. Priority is given to the less developed States. The last review of the grant was made in 2005 when Sarawak was awarded an annual grant of RM23.857 million. Recently, the Federal Government has agreed to review the amount given to all the States. The grant for Sarawak has been increased to RM29.274 million, effective this year.

**TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME FOR STATE STATUTORY BODIES AND  
GOVERNMENT-LINKED COMPANIES (GLC)**

Tuan Speaker, as I mentioned in the last DUN sitting, the State Government in collaboration with the World Bank is presently undertaking an initiative to review existing Statutory Bodies' and Government-Linked Companies' regulatory and monitoring frameworks. Phase 1 of the study, which commenced in June 2022, has been completed.

Phase 1 of the study will assess the adequacy of the current governance framework of Statutory Bodies and Government-Linked Companies in performing effectively towards delivering their objectives and mandates. Based on this study, the Government will formulate and prepare a comprehensive State Statutory Bodies and GLCs Transformation Programme.

Given the importance of this initiative, the Sarawak Government will continue to collaborate with the World Bank in the implementation of the transformation programme.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all the Statutory Bodies and GLCs that have given their full support to this initiative and collaborated with us to implement the programme.

**GOOD GOVERNANCE AND PRUDENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

Tuan Speaker, the State has always upheld and maintained good governance practices in order to achieve and sustain its sound financial position. In this respect, it is my pleasure to inform this august House that Sarawak has once again been accorded a clean certificate, that is an unqualified report for its financial account for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 by the Auditor General of Malaysia. With this, Sarawak has earned 20 consecutive years of clean records for its financial statements.

Both international and domestic rating houses have reaffirmed their commendable investment-grade ratings for Sarawak. Moody's and Standard & Poor's have affirmed the State ratings at A3 and A- with stable outlook, respectively. Rating Agency Malaysia (RAM) has reaffirmed Sarawak with a credit rating of 3A (AAA). These said assigned ratings reflect sound financial performance and prudent budgetary practices by the State in managing its financial affairs.

I would like to thank all our civil servants for continuously upholding good financial management, good governance practices at all the times. I would also like to assure this august House that my Ministry will continue to ensure prudent financial management through adopting international best practices, leveraging on digital technologies as well as strengthening the professionalism and competency of our officers.

## IMPLEMENTATION OF SARAWAK ACCOUNTING SYSTEM

Tuan Speaker, I wish to enlighten this august House on the initiative undertaken in our journey towards enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency in managing the State finances.

During the past three years from 2020 to 2022, we have been thoroughly engaged in developing the Sarawak Accounting System (SAS) to replace our existing State Integrated Financial, Budgeting and Accounting System (SIFBAS). The new system was rolled out for implementation on the 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023.

SAS, which is now the main system we will use in facilitating the management of our public finance, is an integrated financial administration system. It comprises a Budgetary System, a Financial Management System and an Accounting System. As a fully integrated system, it is high performing, user-friendly, operates in real-time, provides a highly secured data integrity system.

SAS comprises 20 modules and will interface with various other systems, such as Asset Management related systems, Project Management related systems, Revenue related systems, Collection related systems, Banking and other financial institution systems, and Administrative related systems.

SAS is indeed intended to prepare for the implementation of an accrual accounting basis for the Government, in accordance with the requirement of Malaysian Public Sector Accounting Standards. In a nutshell, the main advantages of SAS are as follows:

- (a) It provides robust reports on the performance of the State financial position in order to facilitate fast decision making;
- (b) It improves accountability and transparency in the State financial management and reporting; and
- (c) It provides comprehensive information that can be used to measure the efficiency of Government machineries, promotes good governance in the utilization of Government resources.

## PROCUREMENT IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES

Tuan Speaker, ensuring efficiency and integrity in Government procurement is essential to ensure project delivery excellence. The Government will continue to introduce and implement measures to promote accountability, integrity, and effectiveness in its procurement processes. This will lead to better value for money in undertaking any Government projects.

In this regard, on matters related to project execution, particularly in reviving critically delayed projects, the State Financial Secretary's Office has in January 2023, issued a circular to all State Agencies on the procurement procedures and appointment of rescue contractors for State funded.

To ensure good governance in procurement activities and safeguard Government interests, the State Financial Secretary's Office has also issued a circular on delegation of authority for Government officers to sign Letters of Acceptance and Contracts for State Government projects. This delegation of authority will help to accelerate and smooth procurement processes at Ministry, Department, Division, and District levels.

In addition, the State Government has strengthened monitoring of contractors, suppliers, and consultants' performance. The State Financial Secretary's Office has issued a circular to all Ministries, Departments, Statutory Bodies and Local Authorities to continue updating Contractors & Consultants Performance Evaluation Report (CoPER) and Contractors, Consultants Registration and Rating System (CoRRIS) online. The information on the performance of contractors, suppliers, and consultants is critical for Government agencies in managing procurement activities.

The State Government has established a Contactors, Consultants Disciplinary Evaluation Committee under the State Financial Secretary's Office as a platform to review and take necessary action, where relevant, against non-performing contractors and consultants who failed to comply with project and services contract obligations.

With regard to enhancing the participation of Bumiputera contractors in Government contracts, the State Government through State Financial Secretary's Office has recently issued a circular on *Dasar Penyertaan Kontraktor Bumiputera Dalam Perolehan Kerja/ Projek Pembangunan Yang Menggunakan Peruntukan Kerajaan Sarawak*.

The major component of the policy, among others, is to enable Bumiputera contractors to participate in single mega projects with a value of more than RM100 million. On top of this, for mega and big scale projects, Bumiputera contractors are also given the opportunity to participate in various sub-packages, with a certain number of Bumiputera Professionals and Semi-Professionals required to be employed.

Tuan Speaker,

#### RENTAL AND USAGE OF PRIVATE JET

In response to the issue raised by the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Pending, I would like to clarify the matters in relation to the rental and usage of private jet by the State Government leaders and officials. The use of a private jet offers several advantages over commercial aircraft, including enhanced safety and security, as well as greater flexibility in travel arrangements. The safety of the State Leaders as well as high-rank Government officials is of utmost importance and cannot be quantified by monetary means, and we all take necessary precautions to ensure a safe and secure journey, especially for travelling overseas. As such, using private jets is a viable option that can provide the necessary level of security and safety.

I would also like to clarify that the Sarawak Government has entered into a contract with Hornbill Skyways for the provision of aircraft services for the Sarawak Government, including the Governor of Sarawak, Premier of Sarawak, Deputy Premier of Sarawak and Cabinet Ministers. The type of jet used by the State Leaders or Government officials is not decided by Sarawak Government but determined by Hornbill Skyways based on the journey and technical suitability of the aircraft for long-haul travel.

#### CONCLUSION

Tuan Speaker, *in conclusion*, dalam menghadapi situasi ekonomi yang tidak menentu dan cabaran-cabaran global, saya menyeru agar kita sama-sama bersatu hati dan menggembeng tenaga untuk memperkasa dan memperkayakan Sarawak ke arah merealisasikan aspirasi untuk menjadi wilayah maju menjelang tahun 2030.

Kerajaan GPS akan terus meningkatkan usaha untuk melaksanakan polisi dan pelbagai inisiatif yang telah dirangka di bawah PCDS 2030 bagi memastikan visi ini tercapai. Pada masa yang sama, kita juga akan memastikan segala permasalahan yang dihadapi dalam pelaksanaan projek-projek pembangunan akan diatasi secara bersepadu dan sistematik melalui kerjasama rapat di antara agensi, pemegang taruh ataupun *stakeholders*, termasuklah Agensi Persekutuan yang berkaitan.

Saya juga menyeru agar semua Pegawai-pegawai Pengawal dan penjawat awam untuk terus meningkatkan kecekapan mereka dalam mengurus wang awam dengan penuh integriti dan akauntabiliti. Mereka hendaklah turun padang untuk menyelami permasalahan yang dihadapi oleh rakyat serta mencari jalan penyelesaian terhadap isu-isu yang dihadapi dalam pelaksanaan projek di bawah kelolaan agensi masing-masing.

Jalinan kerjasama di antara penjawat awam dengan Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat di setiap kawasan penting bagi memastikan perancangan dan pelaksanaan projek akan dijalankan dengan lancar dan memenuhi keperluan rakyat.

Kemakmuran dan kemajuan Sarawak juga amat bergantung kepada kestabilan politiknya. Sarawak yang makmur dan stabil akan dapat menarik pelaburan ke Negeri ini yang sudah tentunya akan membuka banyak peluang pekerjaan dan peluang ekonomi kepada rakyat, dan seterusnya menyumbang kepada peningkatan pertumbuhan ekonomi negeri. Kita amat bersyukur kerana di bawah kepimpinan YAB Premier kita, Sarawak telah dikenali sebagai negeri yang stabil politiknya, dan mempunyai polisi-polisi yang berpandangan jauh atau *farsighted*. Oleh itu, saya menyeru agar semua rakyat Sarawak terus memelihara keharmonian dan mempertahankan kestabilan politik Negeri kita ini dengan terus memberi sokongan padu kepada Kerajaan demi memastikan segala usaha-usaha dan perancangan pembangunan kita dapat dicapai dengan jayanya.

Akhir kata, saya juga mengambil kesempatan ini untuk merakamkan ucapan tahniah kepada Tuan Speaker atas *your ability to run the meeting very very smoothly* dan juga merakam terima kasih kepada semua Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat dan perkongsian idea dan usul yang bernas pada persidangan Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak kali ini. Terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, dengan hormatnya saya menjemput Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas, Timbalan Premier; dan Menteri Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

**Timbalan Premier dan Menteri Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas):** Thank you, Tuan Speaker, I thought you were hungry. (*Laughter*)

**Tuan Speaker:** Do you want adjournment?

**Timbalan Premier dan Menteri Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas):** No, I'll continue.

**Tuan Speaker:** You want to proceed?

**Timbalan Premier dan Menteri Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas):** Yes.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ok.

**Timbalan Premier dan Menteri Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas):** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker.

*Jubli Intan Sarawak Merdeka,  
Keharmonian Rakyat suatu nikmat,  
Penggulungan MIPD rapi dirangka,  
Kesejahteraan Rakyat jadi matlamat.*

## INTRODUCTION

Tuan Speaker, first, I would like to express my utmost appreciation to Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, Tun Pehin Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud for officiating the First Meeting of the Second Session of the 19<sup>th</sup> State Legislative Assembly on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

In His Excellency's speech, Tuan Yang Terutama had expressed his confidence in the Unity Government under the leadership of the Right Honourable Dato' Seri Anwar bin Ibrahim. His Excellency believes that the issues about Sarawak's rights, as enshrined in the Malaysia Agreement

1963 (MA63), the Inter-Governmental Committee (IGC) Report, Sarawak Constitution, and the Federal Constitution can be resolved in a timely and amicable manner.

Therefore, we shall take heed of His Excellency's advice and direction as we discharge our duties and responsibilities to serve the *rakyat* and transform Sarawak into becoming a developed region by 2030.

#### JKR SARAWAK AS A TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT

Tuan Speaker, I would like to record my appreciation to Putrajaya for recognizing Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) Sarawak and the Department of Irrigation and Drainage (DID) Sarawak as Technical Departments under *Arahan Perbendaharaan (AP) 812*, a subject that has been persistently raised by our GPS Government under the MA63. This recognition gives autonomy to Sarawak Technical Departments to implement Federal projects in Sarawak valued at RM50 million and below.

On the basis of that decision, under this authority, Sarawak has received a list of 92 projects under the Rolling Plan 3 valued at a total of RM1.09 billion from the Federal Government. The devolution of decision-making power will allow the implementation of various development projects in Sarawak to be implemented expeditiously.

Therefore, it is imperative for all of us to work hard to ensure these projects entrusted to us, be completed and delivered on schedule if not earlier.

#### PERFORMANCE OF DEVELOPMENT ALLOCATION

Please allow me to update this august House on the performance of the development expenditure under my Ministry.

This year, a total sum of RM795.71 million is approved for the implementation of land and riverine infrastructure, government and public buildings.

As of April 2023, RM93.77 million, or 12% of this amount, has been utilized. In addition, the Sarawak Government is expected to utilize RM2.2 billion this year from the Alternative Funding for various programmes such as Coastal Road, Second Trunk Road, Integrated Regional Samarahan Development Agency (IRSDA), Sri Aman Development Agency (SADA) and other agencies.

Greater efforts, with close monitoring on the part of the implementing agencies will ensure that the 12<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan projects with approved budget allocation are being implemented on schedule. We anticipate that further improvement of the physical performance of ongoing projects, we will succeed in implementing and utilizing this year's budgeted allocation.

#### SARAWAK INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

Tuan Speaker, infrastructure development is crucial, especially when it comes to shaping the progress and prosperity of a nation and region. Whether this roads, bridges, buildings, wharves, airports or ports, infrastructure lays the foundation for sustainable economic and social growth that will improve the livelihood of the *rakyat*.

Basic infrastructure, one of the key enablers under the Post COVID-19 Development Strategy (PCDS) 2030, plays a crucial role particularly in the developing of rural areas.

Over the years, greater efforts have been made by the GPS Government to intensify the improvement of road infrastructure in enhancing rural connectivity. Our commitment to improve accessibility is not merely a rhetoric but is evident through the massive roll-out of numerous road projects as follows:

- (a) Coastal Road Network valued at RM4 billion;
- (b) Second Trunk Road valued at RM4.6 billion;
- (c) *Projek Rakyat* valued at RM9.06 billion; and
- (d) All projects under various Regional Development Agencies, each allocated RM1.5 billion for infrastructure development. And that is an evidence, Sir, that GPS Government are carrying out all its promises. Bukan air liur sahaja.

### STATE FUNDED PROJECTS

Tuan Speaker, allow me to update this august House on the various ongoing State funded projects. We have revised these State funded projects so that the *rakyat tahu peruntukan itu adalah pekerjaan dari Sarawak*.

#### *Coastal Road Network*

For the information of this august House, all the 13 packages with a contract value of about RM4 billion under this Coastal Road Network have been awarded. Myself and my Deputies have visited all the 13.

11 packages are at various stages of construction and are expected to complete from as early as the second quarter of 2024 to the fourth quarter of 2025. The other two are in the process of appointing rescue contractors.

As for the rehabilitation works on the existing coastal road, 11 out of 29 packages have been completed, as compared to 8 reported in the previous DUN. The three additional packages which have been completed are:

- (a) Sadong Jaya Sungai Buloh Road (8.18km) value RM9.3 million;
- (b) Sebangan Sebuyau Road length (18.5km) worth RM14.8 million; and
- (c) Pusa Sesang Road (26.6km) worth RM10.8 million

#### *Second Trunk Road*

The Second Trunk Road consists of 17 projects where 6 projects are at various stages of construction. All the following projects, 6, at a total cost of RM1.9 billion are scheduled for completion from as early as the third quarter of 2024 to the second quarter of 2026, namely:

- (a) Batang Saribas Bridge No.2;
- (b) Batang Saribas to Roban (Interchange) Road;
- (c) Sebuyau-Lingga Road;
- (d) Sebuyau Bridge;
- (e) Batang Lupar Bridge No.2; and
- (f) Batang Lupar to Betong (Interchange) Road.

The remaining 11 projects are at various stages of implementation, with four at the tender stage and seven at the design stage.

#### *Projek Rakyat*

Tuan Speaker, *Projek Rakyat*, previously known as the Walkabout Project, was initiated by the Right Honourable Premier of Sarawak in 2017. To date, my Ministry is entrusted to implement 229 *Projek Rakyat* comprises the following:

- (a) 121 road projects costing RM4.98 billion;
- (b) 50 bridges costing RM2.46 billion;
- (c) 53 buildings costing RM1.32 billion;



- (d) four jetties costing RM1.47 million; and
- (e) one STOLport costing RM296 million.

The progress of 229 projects are as follows:

- (a) 98 projects (43%) are completed;
- (b) 53 projects under construction; and
- (c) 78 projects under currently, at the pre-contract stage.

Upon its full completion, this *Projek Rakyat* will be able to spur our economic growth and improve the overall living standard of the *rakyat*.

#### EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKS FUND

Tuan Speaker, a lot of old roads were damaged that include land infrastructure, roads and bridges, as a result of natural disasters and catastrophic failures caused by external factors, which is unavoidable. This damage has affected the movement of goods and caused injury to the people. Bearing that in mind, the reinstatement and reconstruction works must be done immediately.

With that in view, the Sarawak Government has approved an allocation of RM50 million in 2023. This is new program under Program P.01– Land Infrastructure for this emergency response work. This allocation is to be utilized for the reinstatement of any damaged infrastructure.

As of today, 20 projects have been approved, whereby four have been completed, six are various stages of construction. The remaining 10 are in the design stage and are expected to be tendered in the third quarter of 2023. My Ministry plans to request more funds under this program to meet the demand of the numerous requests especially during the monsoon season.

#### UPGRADING AND MAINTENANCE OF RURAL ROADS

Tuan Speaker, under the Malaysia Road Record Information System (MARRIS), a total road length of 13,387km of *Jalan Kampung* is registered in Sarawak of which 7,091km is maintained by JKR Sarawak, while the remaining 6,296km is maintained by Local Councils.

The geographical and locality of the rural settlements are amongst the most constraints for the maintenance of rural roads particularly in the interior of Sarawak. The mobilization of machineries and supply of resources to the construction site remains the biggest hurdle of the implementing agencies and cause frustration to the *rakyat* involved.

Currently, JKR Sarawak is carrying out its maintenance works based on “*As and When Required Basis*” for *Jalan Kampung*. This process is lengthy and time-consuming which has caused dissatisfaction among the locals.

To address this issue, JKR will set up the Rural Road Maintenance Unit to monitor and facilitate the maintenance of rural roads under its jurisdiction. We have decided to have a pilot project in the Baram area to see how it operates.

Local contractors working in the nearby area and locally sourced construction materials will be used to carry out the maintenance works to enable it to be done expeditiously.

#### REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

I would like to take this opportunity to update this august House on the progress of three Regional Development established by the Sarawak Government to expedite the development of their respective regions in line with the bottom up approach where the community needs are being prioritized, empowered and decentralized:

- (a) Upper Rajang Development Agency (URDA); I'm representing Yang Berhormat Dato' Sri Alexander Nanta Linggi, who is the Chairman;
- (b) Highland Development Agency (HDA); I'm the Chairman and
- (c) Betong Division Development Agency (BDDA), also I'm the Chairman.

*Upper Rajang Development Agency (URDA)*

The Upper Rajang Development Agency (URDA) is the first agency established in 2017 to accelerate development in the Upper Rajang basin, which encompasses several districts with a total area of 41,186.5km<sup>2</sup>. The Sarawak Government has allocated RM1.5 billion to URDA to carry out 43 projects:

- (a) 27 road projects;
- (b) 11 water supplies;
- (c) Three master plan studies; and
- (d) Two buildings.

To date, six projects have been completed, 33 are under construction and the remaining four are expected to be implemented in the third quarter of 2023. Through the development of infrastructure such as roads, bridges, and water supply projects, URDA aims to improve living standards and boost economic growth in the Upper Rajang area.

For the information of this august House, the Regional Corridor Development Authority (RECODA) and University Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS) have collaborated to develop the Socioeconomic Development Plan (SEDP) 2022 – 2026 for this URDA. This plan provides a comprehensive framework for socioeconomic development, identifying growth areas and investment opportunities.

A lab was conducted by URDA's SEDP from 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2022, involving elected representatives, government officials, and community leaders. Through the lab, RECODA has identified community needs, development programs and projects, and established appropriate mechanisms and business models.

*Highland Development Agency (HDA)*

The Highland Development Agency (HDA) was established in 2017 also to spearhead planning and development in the highlands of Baram covering the highlands of Baram. The Sarawak Government has allocated also RM1.5 billion to undertake 50 infrastructure projects which comprises of:

- (a) 29 roads and bridges;
- (b) 19 water supplies; and
- (c) Two electricity supplies.

To date, eight projects have been completed, 40 are under various stages of implementation and the remaining two are to be implemented in the third quarter of 2023.

In addition, a proposed project linking Miri-Marudi, Marudi-Mulu (Kuala Melinau) and Long Panai-Long Lama comprises 160.5km single carriageway, nine major bridges, 13 minor bridges and one passenger jetty terminal has been submitted for consideration under the 12<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan Mid-Term Review.

I would like to reiterate the importance of rural development and through URDA and HDA, we can improve the connectivity and living standards of the people.

*Betong Division Development Agency (BDDA)*

The newly establish BDDA which is under my chairmanship is Betong Division Development Agency. Plan the development including funding for the programs also RM1.5 billion. We are proactively responsible for managing development projects under BDDA to achieve the development objectives.

A sum of RM1.5 billion has been allocated to implement infrastructure and economic development projects in the Betong division which covers the constituencies of Layar, Bukit Saban, Krian, Kalaka, Saribas, Beting Maro, Kabong and parts of Lingga.

Tuan Speaker, to date, 83 projects under Phase 1 amounting to RM740 million, have been submitted for approval. This includes:

- (a) Infrastructure Development (45 projects);
- (b) Social Development (16 projects);
- (c) Agriculture (17 projects);
- (d) Tourism (2 projects); and
- (e) Industrial, Commercial, Business, and Entrepreneurship (3 projects).

With the completion of these projects, it is our aspiration that the communities in Betong Division will experience and witness sufficient changes in the socioeconomic landscape from the accelerative and transformative initiatives developed by BDDA.

**FEDERAL FUNDED PROJECTS**

Tuan Speaker, I would like to update this august House on various ongoing Federal funded projects:

- (a) Pan Borneo Highway Sarawak;
- (b) Trans Borneo Highway;
- (c) Sarawak-Sabah Link Road (SSLR) Phase 1; and
- (d) Sarawak-Sabah Link Road Phase 2.

*Pan Borneo Highway Sarawak*

The construction of 786km Pan Borneo Highway is one of the mega infrastructure projects in Sarawak. This project has been divided into 25 sections of 11 work packages in order to meet the targeted delivery timeline.

I am pleased to inform this august House that as of April 2023, the overall progress of completion is 94%. As recorded, 11 sections have been fully completed as compared to seven sections reported during the last DUN. The four additional sections that have been completed are:

- (a) Kuching-Serian Road (Interchanges) (5km);
- (b) Pantu (41km);
- (c) Betong (34km); and
- (d) Bakun (42km).

Whilst the remaining 13 sections are at the final stage of completion with its individual progress of construction ranging from 85% to 95%. Due to technical issues, only 34.5km of the Lambir section will be completed by the end of 2023 while the remaining 4.5km will be completed in 2026.

Tuan Speaker, we are indeed honoured to welcome the Seri Paduka Baginda Yang di-Pertuan Agong, who has expressed His Majesty's desire, if possible, to drive along the Pan Borneo Highway sometime later this year maybe in conjunction with the Malaysia Day celebration.

### *Trans Borneo Highway*

Tuan Speaker, the Trans Borneo Highway with a total length of 96.3km, will connect Sarawak to Sabah through Negara Brunei Darussalam. This project comprises three sections:

- (a) Kuala Baram to ICQS (Immigration, Customs, Quarantine and Security) Sungai Tujuh, Miri;
- (b) ICQS Tedungan to ICQS Pandaruan, Limbang; and
- (c) Lawas town to ICQS Merapok, Lawas.

All three sections are currently in the planning stage, and construction is expected to commence in the first quarter of 2024.

### *Sarawak-Sabah Link Road (SSLR)*

The Federal Government has approved the construction of the Sarawak-Sabah Link Road (SSLR), which will connect Miri Limbang-Lawas with a total length of 398km. This comprises of 76km for SSLR Phase 1 (from Simpang Gelugus to Long Lopeng) and 322km for SSLR Phase 2 which is divided into four packages.

For the information of the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Ba'Kelalan, *aaa sudah balik aaa*, the alignment of SSLR Phase 2 are comprises of:

- (a) Package 1: Mulu to Long Seridan;
- (b) Package 2: Long Seridan to Nanga Mendamit ;
- (c) Package 3: Long Lopeng to Long Komap, Ba'Kelalan and
- (d) Package 4: Rumah Aling to Long Merarap.

As of April 2023, the physical progress of SSLR Phase 1 is on schedule (13.63%). Meanwhile, for SSLR Phase 2, all the 4 packages are currently in the planning stage.

### *Upgrading of Jiwa Murni Roads*

Tuan Speaker, I wish to update this august House on the outcome of the recent visit to Sarawak by the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Rural and Regional Development on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2023. During his visit, he stated that a sum of RM85 million is earmarked for the purpose of upgrading the *Jiwa Murni* roads where priority is given to roads that serve as the main road to the interior areas which are no longer used by heavy logging vehicles.

To date, the Ministry of Rural and Regional Development (KKDW) has approved five projects worth RM1 million, namely:

- (a) Jambatan di Sungai Kelulit dan Sungai Trus Bekenu, Miri worth RM200,000;
- (b) Jambatan Lusong Laku, Kapit worth RM100,000;
- (c) Tiga buah jambatan di Pa Dappur, Pa Kelapang dan Pa Mada, Bario worth RM300,000;
- (d) Jambatan di Long Lellang, Ulu Baram worth RM100,000; and
- (e) Tiga buah jambatan *bailey* di Lusong Laku, Belaga worth RM300,000.

Whilst these four projects worth RM372.5 million will be submitted under Rolling Plan 4 for consideration, namely:

- (a) Jalan Rumah Satu, Kuala Mendalam, Limbang, Batu Danau worth RM112 million;
- (b) Jalan dari Ba'Kelalan ke Bario worth RM88 million;
- (c) Jalan ke Skim Rancangan Sepupuk Niah, Miri worth RM18.5 million; and
- (d) Jalan Kuala Mendalam ke Meruyu dan Kampung Kerangan Ma, Limbang worth RM154 million.

## CRITICALLY DELAYED PROJECTS

Tuan Speaker, the construction industry plays a vital role in our economic advancement and progress. Without a doubt, the construction sector continues to face the repercussions of the COVID-19 pandemic which leads to poor performance by the contractors and delays in project. In June 2022, 98 critically delayed projects were recorded. For the information of this august House, critically delayed are:

- (a) Physical progress delayed by more than 20%;
- (b) Delayed by 60 days for a project which supposed to complete in 24 months; and
- (c) Delayed by 100 days for a project with a construction period of more than 24 months.

My Ministry and JKR Sarawak is committed to address the aftermath of this construction industry. On 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023, my Ministry together with the State Financial Secretary's Office, JKR Sarawak and CIDB Sarawak had jointly organized an engagement session on the new initiatives to enhance Sarawak's construction industry with all the relevant stakeholders.

The Sarawak Government's initiatives were disseminated during that engagement session to resolve issues and challenges the industry players have on the ground. Amongst the initiatives are:

- (a) Incorporation of advance payment into Sarawak work contracts up to RM10 million for the main contractor and RM5 million for nominated sub-contractor;
- (b) Lower minimum payment amount of RM1,000 for all work contracts to enable and facilitate consistent monthly interim payments;
- (c) Facilitation of interim payments without the contract documents up to three payments to be made in the first four months of the contract period prior to the signing of the contract document;
- (d) Introduction of a new formula for the calculation of Liquidated and Ascertained Damages (LAD) Rate which results in lower LAD rates imposed for all work contracts;
- (e) Provisions of Variation of Price (VOP) in Government works contracts;
- (f) Extension of Time (EOT) granted for projects affected by the effects of the pandemic with the progress of at least 60%; and
- (g) Optional for mutual termination extended accordingly to contractors subject to prevailing criteria imposed.

By adopting these initiatives, my Ministry together with JKR Sarawak will ensure that the implementation of infrastructure development projects will be on track. As at April 2023, the number of critically delayed projects has been drastically reduced from 98 to 34, where 20 of these projects from Federal projects and 14 from State projects.

My Ministry and JKR Sarawak are actively monitoring the progress of the critically delayed projects. Evaluation and prevention measures will be taken before decision for determination. The license for the terminated contractors will be suspended for a period of three years. Whereas the Board of Directors or shareholders will be blacklisted for a minimum period of three years to a maximum period of five years, depending on the level of offences.

## PORT DEVELOPMENT

Tuan Speaker, to enhance the efficiency and capacity of our ports, the Sarawak Government has approved nine projects in the 12<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan. Three projects have been completed while six projects are currently under various stages of implementation.

The completed projects are Aids to Navigation for Tanjung Manis, Upgrading of Tanjung Po Lighthouse and Upgrading of Tanjung Datu Lighthouse, and six projects are at various stages of implementation:

- (a) Vessel Traffic Management System (VTMS) for Sungai Sarawak, Kuching;
- (b) Senari Free Zone Feasibility Study, Kuching;
- (c) Miri Port Authority Master Plan Study Phase 1;
- (d) Vehicle Yard and Associated Facilities at Senari Port, Kuching;
- (e) Supply, Installation and Commissioning of two Quay Cranes for Senari Port, Kuching; and
- (f) Dredging and associated works at Kuala Baram across Miri.

The installation of VTMS for Kuching Port will be completed and operationalized in the third quarter of 2023. The VTMS will improve the management of vessel traffic along Sungai Sarawak from Tanjung Po to Pending in respect of navigational safety and security.

The Senari Free Zone feasibility study is expected to be completed by year-end. As for the Vehicle Yard and Associated Facilities, it is projected to be completed by the first quarter of 2025.

On the Supply, Installation and Commissioning of two Quay Cranes for Senari Port, I am pleased to inform that the cranes are currently under fabrication in China, while the delivery and commissioning is expected in the first quarter of 2024.

In addition, Miri Port embarks on the dredging of Kuala Baram access channel costing RM238 million. This project covers the dredging of Kuala Baram across channel to a depth of 5 meters below chart datum and includes the construction of 6km training bunds. This project will be tendered in the fourth quarter of 2023 and is expected to be completed in 36 months.

Tuan Speaker,

#### ESTABLISHMENT OF SARAWAK PORTS AUTHORITY

The current State Port Authorities which are Kuching, Rajang, Miri, Tanjung Manis and Samalaju, will be undergoing a restructuring exercise to ensure a smooth transition into the new entity known as Sarawak Ports Authority.

The Government will set up a central port authority for Sarawak or Sarawak Ports Authority. The function is to regulate, streamline, and coordinate the management, operation, planning, and development of all ports to ensure that each of the port plays its niche role in promoting trade and business.

#### TAKING OVER BINTULU PORT

Tuan Speaker, pursuant to the recommendation of the Inter-Governmental Committee 1962, the Ninth Schedule of the Federal Constitution was amended to incorporate Item 15 of List IIA (Supplemental to the State List for Sabah and Sarawak) whereby the legislative authority over Ports and Harbours, except those declared by federal law as federal port, is vested in the States of Sabah and Sarawak with effect from Malaysia Day.

With the impending reorganisation of the State Ports which would come under a single regularity authority, a State Ports Authority, Bintulu Port should be one of the clusters of State Ports, or must be one of the clusters of State Ports, whose future development and growth will be harmonized or streamlined with the other Ports in Sarawak.

It is within Sarawak's interest that Bintulu Port be de-federalized and regulated under our jurisdiction. In this respect, Sarawak Government has registered its interest in taking over Bintulu Port from Putrajaya.

At present, negotiations between the Sarawak and Federal Government are ongoing and this subject matter is to be pursued under the MA63 agenda.

#### PORTS' PERFORMANCE

Tuan Speaker, as the world economy gradually recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic, Sarawak has experienced an overall increase in cargo handled at its State ports for the year 2022.

Sarawak State Ports registered a total throughput of 22.95 million tonnes in 2022, a respectable increase of 11.4% as compared to 20.61 million tonnes handled the previous year.

Kuching Port handled 9.87 million tonnes in 2022, an increase of 11% from 8.89 million tonnes in 2021.

Rajang Port registered 1.49 million tonnes, an increase of 5.7% from 1.41 million tonnes.

As for Samalaju Port, which is operated by an approved port operator, handled 6.73 million tonnes, a healthy increase of 26.3% from 5.33 million tonnes in 2021.

Meanwhile, Miri Port recorded a 6.3% increase in its cargo throughput of 3.21 million tonnes as compared to 3.02 million tonnes in the previous year.

As for Tanjung Manis Port, it is still experiencing a decrease of 15.8% in cargo handled from 1.96 million tonnes in 2021 to 1.65 million tonnes in 2022. The decrease is mainly attributed to the market forces whereby the shipping lines prefer to call directly to Rajang Port for Sibu-bound cargo.

The overall increase in cargo throughput is an indicator that we are on the right path of economic recovery and growth towards becoming a developed Region.

Tuan Speaker, allow me to update this august House on other matters under my purview.

#### UNIT FOR OTHER RELIGIONS

Tuan Speaker, I wish to inform this august House that the Sarawak Government is committed to strengthening its policy of inclusivity and has increased the allocation given to the Unit for Other Religions (UNIFOR) amounting to RM100 million in 2023.

A sum of RM80 million, an increase of RM30 million from the previous year, is for the construction, repair and upgrading of the Houses of Worships. Applications are now being finalized and funds will be disbursed soon.

The allocation to allow Mission Schools to upkeep their buildings and grounds has also been increased from RM15 million to RM20 million in 2023. Mission Schools management is now in the process of preparing and submitting their applications to UNIFOR.

Houses of Worship and Mission Schools are urged to use this funding assistance wisely.

Tuan Speaker, the Yang Amat Berhormat Premier has approved RM80 million for UNIFOR Complex building, with its innovative architectural design, symbolizes a divine gift of unity among the multireligious communities in Sarawak.

As of 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023, the actual construction work progress is very encouraging, at 22.6%, which is ahead of schedule, and therefore, we are very confident that it will be completed in July 2024.

I would like to urge people of various races and religions in Sarawak to strengthen their tolerance, acceptance, and mutual respect for each other. It is only through living in peace and harmony that we can effectively pursue our development goals.

#### STATE DISASTER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Tuan Speaker, izinkan saya memaklumkan Dewan yang mulia ini tentang bantuan yang telah disalurkan kepada mangsa banjir dan mangsa kebakaran yang diselaraskan oleh Jawatankuasa Pengurusan Bencana Negeri.

#### *Monsun Timur Laut*

Monsun Timur Laut telah bermula pada 07 November 2022 dan tamat pada 23 Mac 2023. Musim Monsun Timur Laut 2022/2023 ini telah mengakibatkan banjir di beberapa bahagian di Sarawak. Selain itu, sebanyak 46 Pusat Pemindahan Sementara (PPS) telah dibuka sepanjang musim Monsun Timur Laut bagi penempatan mangsa yang terjejas.

Dalam pada itu, bantuan segera dengan jumlah peruntukan sebanyak RM311,450 telah diberikan kepada 2,381 keluarga terjejas oleh Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Negeri Sarawak. Bantuan tersebut merangkumi makanan bagi mangsa yang berpindah dan yang tidak berpindah, bantuan peralatan tidur seperti tilam, bantal, selimut, serta kain pelikat untuk mangsa yang berada di Pusat Pemindahan Sementara.

Di samping itu, sebanyak RM813,000 Bantuan Wang Ihsan juga telah disalurkan untuk mangsa banjir pada musim Monsun Timur Laut manakala RM4.3 juta telah disalurkan kepada mangsa terjejas di luar musim Monsun Timur Laut sepanjang tahun 2022.

#### *Projek Pemuliharaan Sungai Menggunakan Tabung Amanah Bencana Negeri Sarawak*

Jawatankuasa Pengurusan Bencana Negeri mendapati bencana banjir kerap kali berlaku disebabkan oleh pencemaran dan aliran sungai yang tersekat. Justeru, sebagai langkah persiapan dalam menangani musim tengkujuh akhir tahun ini, kerja-kerja pemuliharaan sungai khususnya di kawasan pedalaman perlu dilaksanakan bermula sekarang iaitu pada musim panas dan kering.

Oleh itu, Kerajaan Sarawak telah memperuntukkan dana berjumlah RM29.5 juta untuk 422 projek pemuliharaan sungai di bawah Tabung Amanah Bencana Negeri Sarawak bagi tahun 2023.

Peruntukan tersebut adalah bagi pelaksanaan projek perlindungan tebing sungai dan kerja-kerja pembersihan sungai berdasarkan keutamaan serta kawasan kritikal di seluruh wilayah untuk mengurangkan risiko bencana banjir. Kesemua projek ini dijadualkan siap selewat-lewatnya pada Oktober 2023, kerana selepas Oktober kita akan berhadapan dengan masa monsoon.

#### *Monsun Barat Daya*

Dengan berakhirnya Monsun Timur Laut, maka bermulalah musim Monsun Barat Daya. Jabatan Meteorologi Malaysia telah memaklumkan bahawa Monsun Barat Daya yang telah bermula pada 15 Mei 2023.

Semasa Monsun Barat Daya ini, cuaca di Malaysia adalah dijangka lebih baik berbanding pada tahun 2020 hingga 2022. Ini akan menyebabkan kebanyakan tempat di seluruh Negara termasuk Sarawak akan mengalami taburan hujan yang rendah disebabkan kurangnya pembentukan awan hujan.

Monsun Barat Daya akan menyebabkan fenomena jerebu sekiranya pembakaran terbuka tidak terkawal terutamanya pada Julai sehingga September. Oleh itu, agensi-agensi Kerajaan telah mengambil beberapa langkah-langkah pencegahan daripada berlakunya pembakaran secara



terbuka seperti penangguhan pemberian permit kebakaran, pengeluaran kompaun dan pemberian notis kompaun dan amaran kepada pihak yang melakukan pembakaran terbuka.

Oleh itu, saya ingin mengambil kesempatan ini untuk memohon dan menyeru semua pihak untuk bekerjasama dalam menghadapi musim panas ini dengan tidak membuat sebarang pembakaran secara terbuka terutamanya di kawasan perumahan dan tanah gambut. Orang ramai dinasihatkan untuk mengurangkan aktiviti di luar rumah, dan disarankan untuk kerap minum air bagi mengelakkan strok haba.

#### *Bantuan Ehsan Kebakaran Rumah*

Selain daripada Bantuan Wang Ihsan bagi Monsun Timur Laut, Kerajaan Sarawak juga turut membantu mangsa yang terlibat dalam kebakaran rumah dengan memberi Bantuan Ehsan Kebakaran Rumah sejak dari tahun 2018.

Bantuan ini diberi dalam bentuk geran untuk pembinaan dan pembelian bahan binaan bagi pembinaan rumah individu atau rumah panjang yang telah terbakar. Jumlah bantuan yang diberi adalah tidak melebihi RM70,000 bagi setiap Ketua Isi Rumah yang menjadi mangsa kebakaran.

Sejak tahun 2018, sebanyak 232 projek telah diluluskan dengan peruntukan berjumlah RM89.4 juta. Daripada 232 projek ini, sebanyak 131 projek telah pun siap manakala 101 projek masih dalam pelaksanaan.

#### ISSUES RAISED BY AHLI-AHLI YANG BERHORMAT

Tuan Speaker, first I would like to record appreciation to Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for your concern, active participation, constructive comments and issues raised under my purview.

Rest assured that they are or will be attended to in an appropriate and prompt manner. With that, allow me to respond to the issues concerned.

#### *State Funded Approved Projects*

For the information of the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Repok and Simunjan, the installation of street lighting along Jalan Kwong Ming/ Minah, and Kampung Sageng and Kampung Kalaka is approved under the Twelfth Malaysia Plan and currently at planning stage.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tellian, project *Cadangan Bina Baharu Dermaga Komersial Mukah* has been approved under Rajang Delta Development Agency (RADDA) and is currently at planning stage.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Batu Danau, *Cadangan Membina Jalan Ulu Tubai Menuju Ke Mentawai/Gunung Buda* is currently in the process of termination by the Employer. It is a sick project. The remaining works will be tendered by the end of this year.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Machan, the current status of Proposed New Road to Nanga Geremai, Kanowit is ahead of schedule.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Ngemah, the proposal to extend the ferry ramp at Sedaya is expected to commence construction by the fourth quarter of 2023.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kabong, the proposed Kabong District office has been approved and expected to be tendered by the fourth quarter of 2023.

*Federal Funded Approved Projects*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Pujut, the road from Mulu to Limbang which forms part of Sarawak-Sabah Link Road is currently in the planning stage and construction is expected to commence in the fourth quarter of 2023.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kalaka, the construction of Jalan Kampung Kupang ke Simpang Jalan Bajau, the construction of a bridge crossing Sungai Krian Saratok and the upgrading of road from Pagan Saratok ke Kampung Kaba are expected to commence in the fourth quarter of 2023.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Opar, Jambatan Selampit, Lundu is currently under design stage and is expected to be tendered in the fourth quarter of 2023. Meanwhile, for Jalan Kendaie Selampit, the project is approved and awaiting Federal Government decision on the procurement strategy.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Engkilili, the proposed construction of Sungai Batang Ai bridge is still under design stage and is expected to be tendered in the first quarter of 2024.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Pelagus, the proposal for the construction of 12km from Rh Juntan to Nanga Sungai Sut is still under design stage.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tellian, the following roads are approved by the Ministry of Rural and Regional Development and their status are as follows:

- (a) The proposal to construct road to Nanga Baoh is incorporated in the project *Membina Jalan SK. Nanga Baoh/ Baoh Ulu, Mukah*. Its current status of construction is 15.31%, a bit behind schedule; and
- (b) The proposal to upgrade Jalan Tingkas Sebakong is incorporated in the project *Jalan Ulu Sikat/ Sebakong Fasa 2*. This project is approved under Rolling Plan 1 of the 12<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan and is currently at planning stage.

Tuan Speaker, on the various requests of street lightings, roundabout, roads, bridges, u-turn, pedestrian crossing, fly-over, underpass, road furnitures by the Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tanjung Datu, Kabong, Repok, Katibas, Balingian, Pending, Engkilili, Batu Danau, Tellian, Tamin, Krian, Bukit Assek, Machan and Pujut, JKR Sarawak will study all the proposals and will consider for the benefits of the *rakyat*.

*Others*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Repok, the maintenance of the existing junction along the Pan Borneo Highway is carried out by the respective contractor of the said package.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tellian, JKR Sarawak has been restructured on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 by reverting to its original set up. The functions of JKR Sarawak Regional Offices will be merged with its Divisional Office. So, we don't have any more Regional Office effective from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023.

*Projek Jalan Kubur Sesok Baru dan Perkuburan Kristian*

Tuan Speaker, for the information of the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Balingian, UNIFOR provides fund assistance based on application received. Construction, repair and upgrade of Houses of Worship can be considered along with construction and repair of road to legal burial sites provided

there is wayleave obtained. Houses of Worship may submit their application to UNIFOR for assistance.

*Seventh Day Adventist (SDA) Private Schools to be Assisted Under Mission School*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bukit Semuja, Mission School also known as *Sekolah Mubaligh* is a school inherited since before independence and established as a result of the efforts of Christian Missionary organizations. This school consists of both categories, which are Government schools and Government aided schools.

Funds allocated through UNIFOR to Missionary Schools in Sarawak are those registered with the Federation of Christian Mission Schools Malaysia or known as *Gabungan Sekolah-Sekolah Mubaligh Kristian Malaysia*.

In Federation of Christian Mission Schools Malaysia for Sarawak, there are only three denominations, namely Anglican, Roman Catholic and Methodist.

Therefore, schools under the supervision of the SDA denomination are private schools that are not registered with the Federation of Christian Mission Schools Malaysia are found to not meet the criteria to be considered in the application for Mission School funding for UNIFOR. So, my advice to Ahli Yang Berhormat Bukit Semuja is make sure this school SDA is listed under this *Gabungan Sekolah-Sekolah Mubaligh Kristian Malaysia*.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Katibas, the Sarawak Government will continue to provide fund assistance to the Houses of Worship and Mission Schools in Sarawak. Houses of Worships may submit their fund application to UNIFOR for assistance.

As of 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023, there are three projects that already approved under Special Development Assistance Fund (SDAF) which is stated as below, this is for Katibas:

- (a) *Menaik taraf Dewan Gereja St. Herbert, Song;*
- (b) *Construction of bell tower/ retaining wall/ gabion wall/ choir loft of St. Herbert Church, Song;*  
*and;*
- (c) *Construction of Retaining Wall of St. Herbert Church.*

*Gereja St. Francis Xavier, Kanowit*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Machan, UNIFOR has previously received Fund Application Form from Gereja St. Francis Xavier, Kanowit for the project *Bina Baru Gereja St. Francis Xavier, Kanowit Sarawak* with amount of RM9.77 million. This application is still under consideration.

*Jawatan Ketua Masyarakat dan Ketua Kaum*

Tuan Speaker, bagi isu yang dibangkitkan oleh Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Batu Kitang, iaitu berhubung dengan cadangan untuk mewujudkan jawatan Ketua Kaum bagi Taman Indah Landeh dan Taman Sri Permai di Padawan, Kerajaan telah menubuhkan satu Jawatankuasa Khas untuk meneliti dan merangka polisi bagi menentukan kriteria-kriteria asas bagi pewujudan jawatan Ketua Masyarakat dan Ketua Kaum di kawasan-kawasan taman-taman perumahan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Batu Kitang, Kerajaan akan melaksanakan satu kajian secara rintis di beberapa kawasan taman perumahan tertentu dalam beberapa daerah di seluruh Sarawak bertujuan untuk mengenalpasti keperluan dan kriteria asas bagi pewujudan jawatan berkenaan yang akan diguna pakai di seluruh Sarawak.

## CONCLUSION

Tuan Speaker, in conclusion Sarawak is very fortunate to have a visionary and transformational leader, in the person of Yang Amat Berhormat Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr.) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg, Premier of Sarawak.

Despite the many challenges and constraints posed by political instability at the Federal level and the unprecedented global pandemic. The Yang Amat Berhormat Premier persistently steered Sarawak forward where transforming Sarawak into an advanced region by 2030, with the pledge we wish we will uplift the livelihoods of Sarawakians.

Today we can acknowledge that Sarawak has successfully executed its development plans, including its innovative initiation of Digital Economy and the development of Sustainable Green Economy in Sarawak.

Besides the rapid development of infrastructure and ports, the GPS Government has achieved many milestones, this includes the setting up of S Pay Global, DBOS, telco towers, the development of hydrogen and the latest algae production technology. This is in line with the Yang Amat Berhormat's vision for Sarawak to succeed globally, so to be prepared for global competitiveness and to be future ready.

Yang Amat Berhormat Premier recognizes that to achieve this lofty goal, Sarawak has had to independently manage its own development plans and to secure sufficient resources to implement the required strategies and in a timely manner. Thank you to the Yang Amat Berhormat Premier's vision and wisdom, Sarawak was able to increase its revenue and steer forward and secure political stability and avoid the political turmoil *yang berlaku di seberang sana*.

Critics and cynics have made fun of his Yang Amat Berhormat's vision of mega or prestigious projects to further develop Sarawak. I think they were jealous, because they were threatened by their vision. Sarawak needs to think out of the box, as our Premier has done, so that it can propel itself to greater heights of progress and development. When we dare to dream, it means we allow ourselves to wish and work for a better future.

I humbly call upon all Sarawakians to render your full support to our GPS Government, centered on "*Sarawak First*" as the guiding principle in its governance towards the betterment of the *rakyat's* livelihood.

Despite our differences in terms of ethnicities, religious beliefs, and cultural background, we all realize what is important is not our differences but our similarities and the common desire for a prosperous and progressive future for all Sarawakians.

We must continue to preserve our unity and harmony and support the political leadership that formulates a long-term strategic plan for Sarawak and is capable of resolving problems and delivering services to the *rakyat* as we utilized the last few years.

Tuan Speaker, I wish to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to Tuan Speaker, for steering the proceedings of this august House very successfully and passionately.

Not forgetting, thank you to all Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, all Sarawak Civil Servants, especially my MIPD Team and agencies under my Ministry, members of the media, and all of you here for your dedication and commitment towards the smooth running of this session.

We have just recently celebrated Hari Raya Aidilfitri and soon we will be celebrating Gawai Dayak in the next few days. With this opportunity, I would like to wish all the *Dayaks, Selamat Ari Gawai Dayak, Gayu Guru Gerai Nyamai, Lantang Senang*. I have got three *rangkap pantun sini*.

*Lapan hari ADUN bersemuka,  
Duduk bersidang tak kira umur,  
60 Tahun Sarawak Merdeka,  
Moga Sarawak maju makmur.*

*Petikan Sape alunan kugiran,  
Jadi hiburan buat pasangan,  
Sarawak First jadi sandaran,  
GPS teguh tidak ada tandingan.*

*Premier Sarawak jelai nama,  
Pemesai negeri mai pemansang,  
Kitai serakup ngetan ke menoa,  
Ngambi ka rakyat lantang senang,*

Terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, we have a break. The sitting resumes at 3.00 p.m

*(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada pukul 1.52 petang)*

*(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada pukul 3.03 petang)*

*[Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]*

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, dengan segala hormatnya saya menjemput Yang Amat Berhormat Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr.) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg, Premier Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru; Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar; dan Menteri Tenaga dan Kelestarian Alam Sekitar untuk menyampaikan Ucapan Penggulungan.

**Premier Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru; Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar; Menteri Tenaga dan Kelestarian Alam Sekitar (YAB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr.) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg):** Tuan Speaker, terima kasih. Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh dan Salam Sarawakku Sayang.

Tuan Speaker, terlebih dahulu saya mengucapkan setinggi-tinggi penghargaan kepada Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak di atas Ucapan Pembukaan Persidangan Mesyuarat Pertama bagi Penggal Kedua Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak Ke-19.

Saya juga mengucapkan terima kasih kepada Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat yang telah mengambil bahagian dalam perbahasan serta sokongan mereka terhadap Rang Undang-undang yang telah dibentangkan iaitu:

- (a) *Supplementary Supply (2022) Bill, 2023,*
- (b) *Supplementary Supply (2023) Bill, 2023; dan*
- (c) *Sarawak Craft Council Bill, 2023.*

Saya yakin dan percaya bahawa dengan kelulusan terhadap Rang Undang-undang ini, ia akan membolehkan Kerajaan Sarawak melaksanakan tanggungjawabnya dengan lebih cekap dan berkesan.

Tuan Speaker, dalam Ucapan Penggulungan saya pada petang ini, saya akan berkongsi beberapa pencapaian utama Sarawak. Saya juga akan memperincikan strategi Kerajaan untuk

memacu pertumbuhan ekonomi bagi mencapai aspirasi ekonomi maju berpendapatan tinggi menjelang 2030.

### SARAWAK ECONOMY

Tuan Speaker, this year, 2023 marks the third year of the Post COVID-19 Development Strategy (PCDS) 2030 implementation. During this period, we have witnessed the recovery of our economy despite many challenges. Sarawak economy grew from 2.9% in 2021 to an estimated 5.5% to 6.5% in 2022. As a result, Sarawak revenue performance for financial year 2022 has surpassed its revenue projection by 17% from RM10.159 billion to RM11.910 billion, almost RM12 billion, the highest revenue achievement thus far. Compared to revenue collection in 2021 of RM7.620 billion, the increase was RM4.290 billion or 56.3%, real record.

The Sarawak Government under GPS is implementing various measures under PCDS 2030 to stimulate the economy, increase our productivity and to be competitive in the global market. We are intensifying the implementation of infrastructure projects to ensure better connectivity, facilitate trade and investment as well as enhancing the domestic economy.

Tuan Speaker, this is very critical for us to advance further on our new economy initiatives to create more businesses and high paying jobs to increase income of our people. Importantly, it will be inclusive and sustainable and in the year 2023, our economy is projected to register between 5% to 6% growth.

Tuan Speaker, as mentioned by Deputy Premier and Second Minister of Finance and New Economy, our economic performance in the first quarter of 2023 has showed positive sign. With the revenue collected amounting to RM5.004 billion so far. Only one quarter that is 45% of our projected revenue for 2023. This is indeed a good sign only the first quarter, you have three quarter to go. If this is the momentum, we may surpass also the 2022 revenue. That shows our GPS Government is giving good return to the people of Sarawak.

### DIGITAL ECONOMY

Tuan Speaker, the main driver of our new economy is data and innovation through digital economy. According to the Oxford Economics report, the average contribution of digital economy to the global economy will be 24.3% in 2025. This translates to a worldwide digital economy contribution of USD23 trillion, giving every working age person in an additional about USD500. I am proud to inform this august House that the Sarawak Government has already embarked on digital economy initiatives through the implementation of the Sarawak Digital Economy Strategy 2018 to 2022.

Our digital economy initiatives have been accelerated by the COVID-19 pandemic due to lockdowns and social distancing measures. New opportunities have been unlocked during that period with increase in e-commerce, expansion of the gig economy and cashless transactions. Our own e-Wallet, S Pay Global, from a humble beginning e-Wallet size of RM200, has now increased to RM6,000. From RM200 to RM6,000. S Pay users increased from 42,000 to more than 685,000. We have also made our presence globally through collaboration with Union Pay International. We are making great strides in closing the digital divide between urban and rural areas in Sarawak through our Sarawak Rural Broadband Network (MySRBN).

MySRBN is our first state-owned 4G ready and 5G Oriented Broadband Telecommunication Network that uses Fixed Wireless Broadband technology, which aims to provide home broadband services for 100,000 rural homes in the next few years. This is our own Sarawak approach. Additionally, for far-reaching areas, 250 sites have been equipped with Very Small Aperture Terminal (VSAT) under the Wi-Fi SALURAN project. This interim solution under the SALURAN project has benefited more than 86,000 users in remote areas.

Our success in implementing the digital economy initiatives has gained the confidence of private sectors to invest in Sarawak. One of the significant achievements is the Batam Sarawak Internet Cable System (BaSICS). It is a gateway connecting Sarawak to the global internet hub of Singapore, interconnecting with Irix Tier IV Data Centre located in Santubong. This will spur the growth of more digital businesses in Sarawak. This project is entirely private sector driven.

### SARAWAK DIGITAL ECONOMY BLUEPRINT 2030

Tuan Speaker, moving forward, we have formulated the Sarawak Digital Economy Blueprint 2030. The blueprint is the road map for Sarawak to transform the whole-of-economy and society from a conventional resource-based economy to an environmentally sustainable technology-driven economy. The blueprint anchors on 5 strategic pillars, namely:

- (a) Focusing on economic priorities to accelerate digitalisation of economic sectors and data monetisation as well as boosting economic competitiveness through digitalisation;
- (b) Growing digital businesses to support and expand global competitive and vibrant technology sector, investment, trade, start-ups and spin-ins in Sarawak;
- (c) Transforming public sector and services to deliver efficient, secure and trusted services and improve ease of doing business;
- (d) Adoption of frontier technologies to enable economy wide transformation and economic growth; and
- (e) Building the foundation to accelerate digital readiness in infrastructure and connectivity, data governance and cyber security, digital talent and skills, research, innovation and entrepreneurship and inclusivity.

The blueprint will be implemented in three phases:

- (a) Phase 1 (2025): Strengthen Digital Readiness

Tuan Speaker, enhancing digital readiness in digital infrastructure, connectivity, digital talent, technology adoption, 5G adoption, cloud computing, research and innovation, cyber security, data monetisation, which is very important data management amongst others to encourage investment, business development and accelerate Digital Economy in Sarawak. Conducive regulatory and policy framework and digital readiness will provide smooth transition from Phase 1 to Phase 2 and Phase 3.

- (b) Phase 2 (2027): Accelerate Digital Transformation

This phase will accelerate the digital transformation of priority economic sectors, enhance data-driven digital Government services where technology and data are effectively used to benefit the society and businesses, attract high-tech investments, digitalise Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and grow high-tech start-ups. That is in Phase two.

- (c) Phase 3 (2030): Digitally Developed Sarawak

By 2030 Sarawak will be digitally developed State with high ease of doing business, where the Government creates conducive and agile environment for business to invest and grow, high-speed connectivity for all Sarawakians, equitable access to opportunities for all Sarawakians to uplift social-economic status and cyber secure and ethical digital environment.

Tuan Speaker, the blueprint targets Sarawak to tap a percentage of the global digital economy to flow into Sarawak through strategies to grow cross-border data flow by establishing data centres, digital services delivery, and digital foreign direct investments.

We will build the ecosystem to attract new industries focusing on international standards data centres, digital content creation and boosting digital innovation and entrepreneurship.

We welcome the private sector to venture in the evolving digital economy. Actually, under the Digital Blueprint 2030, the private sector will play the dominant role through frontier technologies such as big data, blockchain, Internet of Things, Artificial Intelligence solutions and immersive technology. The Government just provide the ecosystem. The private sector will be the main player using private sector funding. On a broader scale, this will bring major economical, societal, and environmental impact to Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, we will continue to build enabling digital infrastructure to widen the coverage and provide connectivity, especially to the rural communities for inclusive development.

In order to ensure Sarawak is cyber secure, we will establish a dedicated Cyber Security team to operationalise the Cyber Security Framework focusing on effective governance and management, legislation and policy, compliance and enforcement, research, innovation and technology industry, capacity and capability building and collaboration.

By 2030, there shall be no distinction between the digital economy and the economy as a whole. All segments of the economy namely mining, agriculture and forestry, manufacturing, construction, and services will be digitally driven using ICT and frontier digital technologies. Ultimately, these will enhance productivity, yield, efficiency and generate high-skilled jobs for our people.

All Government services will be easily and safely accessed online, supported by data sharing and data driven decision making to deliver more targeted policies, services and programmes to businesses and communities. Regulations will be in place to ensure Sarawak has a safe, cyber-secure and vibrant environment to maximise digital value.

All these initiatives will contribute approximately 20% to Sarawak's GDP amounting RM56.4 billion in 2030, creating more than 45,000 new high-paying jobs with 80% of MSMEs adopting digitalisation.

## GREEN ECONOMY

Tuan Speaker, now I want to touch on the green economy.

Our new economy will leverage on our strength in sustainably managing our abundant natural resources. We will be guided by Sarawak's Green Economy Policy.

This policy aims to pursue balanced economic growth, with a responsible approach towards managing our natural resources, and integrating climate adaptation and mitigation plans in line with the sustainable development principles of the United Nations.

To reap both economic and environmental benefits, we are shifting our economic activities towards a more circular economic model. I wish to inform this august House that Sarawak has achieved significant breakthrough on this front.

## MICROALGAE

Tuan Speaker, I would like to inform this august House that currently there are two facilities that are cultivating algae with different technologies. The first facility, on solar platform, and this is a collaboration between Sarawak Energy, Sarawak Biodiversity Centre, Eneos Corporation and Chitose Group from Japan at Sejingkat.

The other facility is employing the use of tanks and sea water. This is a collaboration between SEDC Energy and Petronas in Demak Laut.



Sarawak has taken a progressive step to explore microalgae as a potential source of renewable energy. Sarawak Biodiversity Centre in collaboration with Sarawak Energy Berhad as well as Chitose Laboratory and ENEOS Corp from Japan has established the world's largest mass microalgae biomass production facility, in Sejingkat, Sarawak. (*Applause*)

The C4 that is the product, the facility with tap into the exhausted gas containing carbon. In this case, it is produced by SEB Coal Fired Plant. The produce carbon dioxide (C<sup>02</sup>) from the Sejingkat Coal Power Plant to grow algae in a carbon circular economy. This is the first of its kind in Malaysia to demonstrate the industrial-scale utilisation of flue gas to enhance algae production. This five-hectare scale facility will act as "*liquid trees*" to capture C<sup>02</sup> while functioning as natural purifier by releasing oxygen through photosynthesis.

I believe that microalgae or what we called *lumut* is an industrial crop that can help to expand and grow our economy and serve as a model to achieve our aspirations while preserving our environment. This facility will also serve as part of net zero emissions efforts with an expected 700 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> can be absorbed by the algae biomass.

Tuan Speaker, this facility will produce around 350 tonnes of algae biomass annually, which will be transformed into high-quality products such as food and feed, cosmetics, and pharmaceutical ingredients, and there is also potential for these algae from the lipids to fight anti-viral including cancer. But this has to be researched by the scientist including the one in Japan. I was informed, Tuan Speaker, the incident of cancer in Japan is quite low and people have longer life but the Japanese they eat seaweed, and that signify something, seaweed and algae *dia adik beradik*. That meaning there is the potential for that compound.

Microalgae also offers potential for innovative and sustainable product development in the food industry. We will continue to pursue research on microalgae on their nutritional and medical benefits.

Many algae species have been found to have tremendous health benefits, and spirulina is a good example of a superfood. Spirulina is packed with essential nutrients, including vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants, which make it a popular supplement for health-conscious individuals.

But beyond spirulina, we are also looking into other algae species for their potential medical applications. For instance, some algae have been found to have antibacterial and antiviral properties, which can help in the fight against infectious diseases.

Additionally, algae may be used to reduce inflammation, detoxify the body, boost the immune system, even aid in weight loss.

The commercialisation of algae has only just begun. We anticipate significant growth in this industry with the planning of the Chitose Group to expand the farm to 100 hectares in the next three years and to achieve 2,000 hectares by 2030 in Sarawak. We expect to create up to 5,000 new job opportunities and decarbonisation about 200,000 tonnes of carbon annually. Actually, we have identified the place between Balingian and Tanjong Manis for this facility. Meaning we create jobs in that particular area.

#### *New Sustainable Source of Oil*

Tuan Speaker, now is the second method of producing product from algae. In this pressing climate change and energy transition, Sarawak has the capacity to provide a green fuel solution from a sustainable source. Microalgae offer great potential to produce Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF), which is crucial to the aviation industry to achieve net zero emissions by 2050.

I wish to inform this august House that, two days ago I have just come back from Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace (LIMA) exhibition using aircraft powered by SAF, from a joint

venture between PETRONAS and SEDC Energy. It is the world's first SAF produced using algae. This clearly proves that Sarawak is able to produce safe and reliable SAF for commercial use.

Tuan Speaker, I believe microalgae is a renewable source that can offer us a sustainable solution that does not compete with food source. Here in Sarawak, there is enough sunlight, warm tropical climate and abundance of seawater that provides the right condition to continuously farm the oil source sustainably.

We have plans to scale up the cultivation using this method, this technology, indigenous to Sarawak and PETRONAS to 1,000 acres and this can produce about 500,000 tonnes per annum of crude algae oil or renewable oil according to the scientists. This 500,000 tonnes per annum can be equated to about 10,000 barrels of oil per day with about 37% extraction rate of crude algae oil from the algae biomass.

This may mean we do not have to look for oil anymore offshore or onshore as we can have our "*farmers*" grow oil more sustainably. We can be another Saudi Arabia. The unit cost per barrel is below USD50 and today if sold to a biorefinery, it might fetch around USD110 per barrel because it is green oil.

As such, this innovative technology will not only be a valuable addition to drive our economy, but also a significant contribution towards achieving our Economy agenda for 2030 and also become a new stream of revenue to the State of Sarawak.

#### *Biogas*

Tuan Speaker, I am happy to inform this august House that we are adopting circular economy approach for our sago industry to solve river pollution arising from the disposal of sago waste.

CRAUN had developed a proof-of-concept pilot plant to recover, treat and utilise sago processing wastes in Mukah. This project is to turn sago mill wastewater and wet sago fibres into value-added product such as biogas for electricity and heat generation as well as dried sago *hampas* for animal feed.

CRAUN is currently developing another proof-of concept pilot project to develop the first bio compressed natural gas plant from sago waste. This green cooking gas will be distributed via gas-piping network to 147 selected rural households and public facilities in Mukah.

This project will contribute towards Sarawak's energy transition initiatives for greener energy while improving basic rural utilities and reducing dependency on fossil-based cooking gas. Meaning, our rural people don't have to buy the tank anymore, but they have their own gas produced from their own environment. Of course, the price, I think, could be cheaper.

#### *Carbon Trading*

Tuan Speaker, now I'll talk about carbon trading. Sarawak has made another significant milestone where we have opened the doors for the private sector to actively participate in the carbon trading initiative. It is a significant global effort to address climate change.

Carbon trading in Sarawak is now possible because of the Forest Ordinance, which was passed in this august House sitting in May 2022 and the Forests that is (Forest Carbon Activity) Rules 2022, which took effect on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023.

SaraCarbon, a private company from Sarawak, has taken up the challenge to become the first company to receive a Carbon Study Permit. The Carbon Study Permit allows them to conduct studies in their area of interest for a Carbon License product application.

Carbon trading is a win-win solution for Sarawak. It provides an opportunity for companies to generate revenue while also contributing to the conservation of the environment. Sarawak also can get revenue from that business. With our extensive forest cover, Sarawak has great potential to become a significant player in the international carbon market.

### *Carbon Capture and Storage*

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak has a world-scale potential for CO<sup>2</sup> storage, estimated to be around 9 billion tonnes. In the near term, unlocking the stranded sour gas resources is a key objective. PETROS is leading the Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) agenda to unlock the potential long-term value for the region.

The implementation of CCS in Sarawak is expected to ensure long term energy sustainability and security. CCS will attract foreign direct investment and promote the growth of blue and green hydrogen and its derivative industries in the region.

Sarawak through PETROS is developing a comprehensive CCS Roadmap outlining the strategies and actions necessary to realise the full potential of the CCS value chain in Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, according to the World Bank, there are currently 73 global carbon pricing instruments in operation, compared with 68 when the World Bank issued its 2022 report last May, covering around 23% of global greenhouse gas emissions. The figure raised in 2022 in carbon revenues was up from USD84 billion in 2021. In 2017, a report by the High-Level Commission on Carbon Prices indicated carbon prices need to be in the USD50-100 per ton range by 2030 to keep a rise in global temperatures below 2 degrees Celsius, the upper end of the limit agreed in the 2015 Paris Agreement.

### **BOUTIQUE AIRLINE**

Tuan Speaker, I have informed in the last sitting of this august House that Sarawak is going to establish our own airline to boost the tourism industry and businesses in Sarawak.

I am happy that many of our Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat supported this initiative.

I am pleased to inform this august House that our Prime Minister has agreed in principle to the proposal of setting up the airline company by the Sarawak Government.

The business model we are introducing will allow us to run the airline to cover the overhead costs to fly within the region. It is not profit-motivated, rather the establishment of the boutique airline is to stabilise the airfares for flights to and from Sarawak. The detail is being pursued with the Federal authorities.

### **MALAYSIA AGREEMENT 1963 (MA63)**

Tuan Speaker, which has been touched by my colleague. I am pleased that the Federal Government is taking serious efforts in resolving the long overdue MA63 issues. The Federal Government has established the MA63 Implementation Action Council (MTP MA63) chaired by the Prime Minister.

This Council is supported by two Technical Committees, namely the Technical Committee chaired by the Deputy Prime Minister Malaysia II and the Coordination Committee chaired by the Minister in the Prime Minister's Department in charge of Sabah and Sarawak Affairs and Special Functions.

The Inaugural MA63 Implementation Action Council Meeting was held on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023 in Kuching. Amongst the decisions which had been agreed are:

- (a) Appointment of the Sarawak State Financial Secretary as there presentative of the Sarawak Government in the Inland Revenue Board (IRB);
- (b) Sarawak Public Works Department and Drainage and Irrigation Department are recognised as Technical Departments and are authorised to implement Federal projects in Sarawak with a limit of up to RM50 million;
- (c) Review of Financial Provisions of Special Grants under Article 112D of the Federal Constitution to increase the amount of the Special Grants for Sarawak up to RM300 million; and
- (d) Upgrading of the Immigration, Customs, Quarantine and Security Complex (ICQS) at Sarawak-Kalimantan border.

I wish to inform this august House that the Prime Minister had given a preliminary approval for an additional allocation of RM1.0 billion to upgrade the infrastructure, improve security and increase the capability of the ICQS complex at the borders of Sarawak and Sabah. We are now working closely with the Federal Government to implement this project.

### OMBUDSMAN AND GOOD GOVERNANCE

Tuan Speaker, GPS Government always emphasises the importance of corporate governance in every aspect of administration and development.

That is why Sarawak Government has established the Integrity and Ombudsman Unit under the Department of the Premier of Sarawak, the first in the country. Among its objectives is to ensure a check and balance in the administration in addition to fostering a culture of integrity among all parties including politicians, civil service and general public.

The Government will ensure the culture of integrity is always practiced at all levels of the administration. Each Government Departments and Agencies has been tasked to create an Integrity Unit and an Internal Audit Unit and make reports and improvements on their administration and governance.

Sarawak Government has also established a Special Cabinet Committee (CABCOM) on Annual Financial Statement Reports and Annual Budget Estimates for State Statutory Bodies and Local Authorities since January 2023 to ensure efficient, transparent and accountable governance.

Tuan Speaker, the Sarawak Government will study the ombudsman system in Sweden. I understand in Sweden, ombudsman is the agency but report to Parliament. We maybe the first State to have Ordinance on this ombudsman so that it is very transparent and perhaps report to this particular *Dewan Undangan Negeri* in report. We are going and study the Sweden model. Actually, Sweden was the first to introduce in eighteen something on this ombudsman system. Meaning GPS is serious and very serious on this integrity. Bukan cakap saja tapi jalan. (*Applause*)

### 60 YEARS ANNIVERSARY

Tuan Speaker, this year marks a historic milestone in the history of Sarawak. We will celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our independence, our Diamond Jubilee on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2023 with the theme Sarawak *Maju Makmur* or Prosperous Progressive Sarawak. We have come a long way since 1963 when we gained our independence. Over the past six decades, we have witnessed incredible progress and development in Sarawak. Our economic prosperity that we are enjoying today does not come easy.

Therefore, let us celebrate this occasion to acknowledge the hard work, relentlessness and perseverance of our past and current leaders who have united the people and focused on developing Sarawak to improve the quality of life of the rakyat. We must remain committed to build a sustainable future for our State, one that balances economic growth with environmental stewardship and social inclusivity. We must ensure that our progress benefits all Sarawakians.

**PENUTUP**

Tuan Speaker, kita rakyat Sarawak perlulah mengekalkan perpaduan yang erat, bekerjasama dan berusaha gigih demi mencapai aspirasi menjadi ekonomi maju menjelang tahun 2030 agar kesejahteraan rakyat dan generasi akan datang terjamin.

*Enam puluh tahun Sarawak Merdeka,  
22 Julai 1963 tarikh keramat,  
Sejarah dijajah jangan dilupa,  
Jasa pemimpin sentiasa diingat.*

*Sarawak bertuah indah permai,  
Di persada dunia namanya masyhur,  
Rakyat hidup aman dan damai,  
Sarawak terus Maju dan Makmur.*

Tuan Speaker, saya juga ingin mengucapkan terima kasih kepada Tuan Speaker dan kakitangan Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak yang telah mengendalikan persidangan DUN dengan teratur dan cemerlang.

Saya juga mengambil kesempatan ini untuk mengucapkan Selamat Hari Gawai, *gayu guru gerai nyamai, lantang senang nguan menoa* kepada mereka yang merayakan Gawai. Saya juga ingin mengucapkan mungkin tidak terlambat mengucapkan Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri walaupun kita dalam bulan Zulkaedah, tapi tidak lama lagi kita akan merayakan Aidiladha kepada semua yang meraikan. Sekian. Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, I shall now call upon the Honourable Member for Tupong to wind up.

**YB Encik Fazzrudin bin Haji Abdul Rahman:** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. Bismilahirahmanirahim. Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Ta'ala Wabarakatuh. Salam sejahtera. Salam Sarawakku Sayang.

Tuan Speaker, 2016 merupakan tahun pertama saya masuk ke Dewan yang mulia ini dan saya telah menyaksikan proses-proses yang berlaku dalam setiap persidangan DUN semenjak itu. Saya juga pernah merujuk semula hansard-hansard yang lama sebelum tahun 2016 dan saya pasti sejak kewujudan Dewan Undangan Negeri sejak tahun 1876 atau ketika itu dikenali sebagai Majlis Umum, isu rakyat merupakan keutamaan kita dalam setiap persidangan. I noted the similarities in each session.

Selain dari Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat berbahas untuk menggubal undang-undang, setiap Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat membawa isu-isu memperjuangkan kesejahteraan rakyat tak kira di peringkat kawasan masing-masing atau peringkat Sarawak ataupun peringkat nasional. Masing-masing dengan cara mereka sendiri. Ada yang menyelitkan unsur gurauan, ada yang lebih serius dan ada juga yang begitu keras dan tegas. Tetapi semuanya dilakukan dengan satu objektif yang sama iaitu demi Sarawak dan Malaysia yang tercinta dan juga demi rakyat di kawasan masing-masing.

Ahli Pembangkang juga memainkan peranan mereka iaitu *the check and balance element*. Tetapi sebenarnya ahli-ahli Kerajaan juga sebenarnya memainkan peranan *check and balance* ini untuk memberi teguran dan cadangan dalam setiap isu tetapi kita melakukannya dengan lebih berhemah dan menekankan kepada cadangan-cadangan berdasarkan fakta dan penambahbaikan dan bukan berdasarkan sentimen populis, sensitif dan tidak konsisten demi untuk meraih sokongan semata-mata.

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan juga dari dulu sangat responsif. Ada isu yang diselesaikan sebelum sidang DUN yang baru, ada juga isu yang dibangkitkan semula bila belum menemui penyelesaian.

Ada Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat berkongsi tentang projek-projek atau isu-isu yang telah diselesaikan oleh Kerajaan dan ada juga membangkitkan semula isu jika belum selesai. Isu-isu yang dibangkitkan melibatkan ataupun memerlukan tindakan Kerajaan Persekutuan dan juga Kerajaan Sarawak.

Antara elemen yang penting dan utama yang diperlukan untuk menyelesaikan isu-isu yang dibangkitkan ialah peruntukan. Selain dari kita memperjuangkan peruntukan tambahan dari Kerajaan Persekutuan bagi perkara-perkara yang menjadi tanggungjawab Kerajaan Persekutuan, kita juga menggunakan peruntukan Sarawak sendiri untuk menyelesaikan isu di bawah tanggungjawab kita sendiri seperti termaktub dalam Perlembagaan Malaysia. Pembangunan yang berterusan sejak dari dulu lagi dilaksanakan oleh Kerajaan dari masa ke semasa.

Jadi jika pendapatan Sarawak tinggi, maka dapatlah kita peruntukkan untuk pembangunan. Sejarah telah mengesahkan kejayaan Kerajaan Sarawak dalam meningkatkan pendapatannya. Ini membuktikan kejayaan kepimpinan Yang Amat Berhormat Premier kita, dibantu oleh Ahli dari Bukit Sari, Bukit Saban dan Batu Kawa serta seluruh *team* Menteri-menteri dan Timbalan-timbalan Menteri. Tahniah dan terima kasih kita ucapkan kepada *team* kepimpinan kita.

Ia juga disambut pula oleh *the State Civil Service and the Federal Agencies* yang penting kerana merekalah yang menjadi pelaksana kepada polisi-polisi dan projek-projek pembangunan ini. Jadi kita boleh lihat ekosistem ini yang sedia ada menuntut untuk kita bekerjasama erat dalam pelaksanaan polisi-polisi dan projek di akar umbi. Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat sentiasa memohon untuk mengadakan kerjasama yang lebih erat lagi dengan pelaksana-pelaksana polisi dan projek ini.

Jadi Tuan Speaker, hasil pendapatan kita termasuklah *the tax payers money* kita gunakan untuk bangunkan Sarawak dengan kadar yang jauh lebih laju berbanding dengan zaman-zaman dulu. Kita gunakan untuk menyelesaikan isu-isu rakyat yang dibangkitkan ahli-ahli di dalam dewan ini. Sehingga kita gunakan peruntukan Kerajaan Sarawak untuk melaksanakan tanggungjawab yang sepatutnya dilaksanakan oleh Kerajaan Persekutuan demi untuk memastikan Sarawak maju ke hadapan dengan kadar yang cepat.

Jambatan kita guna peruntukan Sarawak, manfaatnya kepada rakyat. Membina sekolah, kita guna peruntukan sendiri, manfaatnya kepada rakyat.

Bukan mudah untuk mencari duit atau menjana pendapatan dan ia juga bukan sewenang-wenangnya untuk kita membelanjakannya. Proses kewangan yang ketat demi memastikan integriti dan *efficiency* diamalkan oleh Kerajaan GPS. Ini mendapat pengiktirafan tertinggi pihak profesional ketiga seperti *Standard & Poor's & Moody's* dan juga pihak Audit Negara.

Oleh itu kita menyokong penuh segala usaha Yang Amat Berhormat Premier kita dengan pasukannya dalam usaha dan inisiatif mereka untuk mengemudi Sarawak, *to navigate Sarawak through the modern challenges and global demands and one of which worth noting as it will go down in the history of Sarawak is when Yang Amat Berhormat Premier boarded the first aircraft which was fuelled with Sarawak made algae sustainable fuel.*

Tuan Speaker, I am confident that the GPS Government will always continue to fight for Sarawak and to ensure the continuity of development of Sarawak for today's generation and for generations to come. Sarawak First.

Tuan Speaker, saya ingin mengambil kesempatan ini untuk mengucapkan setinggi-tinggi tahniah kepada Tuan Speaker dan Yang Berhormat Timbalan Speaker di atas pengendalian persidangan yang begitu baik sekali.

Terima kasih juga kepada rakan-rakan Ahli Yang Berhormat, Pegawai-pegawai Kerajaan Sarawak dan Kerajaan Persekutuan, petugas-petugas Kementerian, petugas-petugas DUN, kakitangan DUN Sarawak, dan rakan-rakan media.

Saya juga ingin mengambil kesempatan ini untuk mengucapkan Selamat Menyambut Perayaan 60 tahun Sarawak Merdeka dan mengucapkan selamat kembali ke kawasan masing-masing kepada rakan-rakan Ahli Yang Berhormat. Saya juga mengambil kesempatan ini untuk mengucapkan Selamat Hari Gawai dan juga Selamat Hari Raya Aidiladha yang bakal mendatang.

Tuan Speaker, I beg to move "that the question be now put" in respect of the Motion standing in my name. Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.

**Tuan Speaker:** Honourable Member for Murum to second.

**YB Encik Kennedy Chukpai Ugon:** Terima kasih Tuan Speaker, saya dengan sukacitanya memohon menyokong usul penghargaan atas ucapan Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak. Terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the question is that the Motion in the name of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tupong, Yang Berhormat Fazzruddin bin Haji Abdul Rahman in Appreciation of Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri address be approved. As many as are of the opinion say "Yes".

**Government:** Yes... (Resounding "Yes")

**Tuan Speaker:** As many as are of the contrary opinion say "No". The "Yes" have it. The Motion is approved.

#### USUL PENANGGUHAN

**Timbalan Menteri Kesihatan Awam, Perumahan dan Kerajaan Tempatan (Kesihatan Awam dan Perumahan) (YB Encik Michael Tiang Ming Tee):** Good afternoon, Salam Ibu Pertiwiku, Salam Sarawakku Sayang to the Honourable Tuan Speaker and Members of this august House.

First of all, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to Tuan Speaker for giving me the opportunity to rise to move a Motion of adjournment for the First Meeting of the Second Session of the 19<sup>th</sup> State Legislative Assembly which took place from 15<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

Tuan Speaker, I wish to begin by registering my utmost gratitude and congratulations to Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, for the invaluable advices given by His Excellency Tun in his address during the opening of the First Meeting of the Second Session of the Nineteenth State Legislative Assembly in this august House on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

Tuan Speaker, negotiation on the Malaysia Agreement (MA63) is always close to our heart in the GPS Government. We have been actively negotiating with the Federal Government to restore Sarawak's rights as stipulated in the MA63.

As of today, we have witnessed significant progress where we have several accomplishments particularly on the amendment to Article 1(2) of the Federal Constitution which has restored the status of Sarawak and Sabah as they were before the amendment to the Federal Constitution in 1976.

Another one of the many achievements that we had is the appointment of our State Financial Secretary as the representative for Sarawak to sit on the Inland Revenue Board. It is important for us to have a representation from Sarawak on the LHDN Board as it would allow Sarawak Government to determinethe nation's revenues including the exact amount of Sarawak's contribution to the nation's coffers.

Despite the accomplishments, we should not rest on our laurels. We must continue to fight to preserve our interests and rights from Putrajaya to develop our beloved Sarawak to be on par with the rest of Malaysia in terms of development.

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak has many success stories, and these stories must be told, our stories were made possible because of the visionary leadership of our Yang Amat Berhormat Premier. Under Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr.) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari's leadership, the State Government formed the Other Religious Affairs Unit (UNIFOR) in April 2017 to aid all religions, especially to protect the interests and welfare of Sarawak's non-Muslims. Sarawak is the only state in Malaysia that can channel funds to support other religions, as what our Premier always says we do not discriminate against any religion hence the founding of UNIFOR made history.

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak First, People's Interests First. We fight to restore Sarawak's special rights and privileges in MA63 not only in letters, but more importantly, to convert those special rights and position to real life benefits to our people and our state.

Under our YAB Premier's visionary leadership, Sarawak Government continues to study and look into various key initiatives to increase the state's revenue through enhancing, widening and diversifying its revenue sources without depleting our beautiful natural resources.

#### *Sarawak's New Economy Models*

Our focus is on restructuring and diversifying our economy into high value downstream industry, build physical and digital infrastructure to link Sarawak to global market. This will become the platform for Sarawak's economy to grow in the coming years. Therefore, to emerge as a stronger region, Sarawak has embarked on a full-fledged transformation and capitalize on mega-trends around the world.

#### *Industrial Microalgae Production*

Under the visionary leadership of our YAB Premier, Sarawak has ventured into the first industrial microalgae production in Malaysia. Sarawak has suitable climate and abundant seawater for the mass production of algae and therefore, has passed the prerequisite aspect for algae cultivation for Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF). With our State's partnership with Japan Chitose Group, The Chitose Carbon Capture Central Sarawak (C4 Sarawak), the state's first industrial microalgae production facility was recently launched, making a significant milestone towards achieving a sustainable green economy.

On 22<sup>nd</sup> this Month, Sarawak-made algae sustainable aviation fuel filled up a Latvian air Baltic Airbus A220-300, a very first attempt with this technology, our Premier was one of the very first passengers taking the plane using SAF and safely landed in Langkawi. This maiden flight signifies that Sarawak is now in the forefront of using algae to produce SAF. I would like to extend my heartiest congratulations to our YAB Premier for his vision and his another milestone footprint in spearheading Sarawak.

*Gunung Santubong mencecah awan,  
Sungai Gedong cantik menawan;  
10 tahun Pelawan ditawan,  
Dulu lawan sekarang kawan.*

*60 tahun Kemerdekaan Sarawak,  
Tanggal 22 Julai kita raikan;  
Kamek bangga jadi anak Sarawak,  
Majulah Sarawak menuju kemakmuran.*



*Sarawak's Milestones*

Indeed, with so many milestones Sarawak has achieved at this juncture of celebrating Sarawak's 60 years in Malaysia, we the people from the Jungle of Borneo with our unity, harmony and political stability, we have proved to the world "*Sarawak Boleh*".

Sarawak's achievements under YAB Premier's leadership has also been acknowledged and praised by YAB Prime Minister for charting a new economy that is based on digitalization and green energy. This is possible for Sarawak as Sarawak has a strong and stable GPS Government.

During this very First Meeting of the Second Session of the Nineteenth State Legislative Assembly, the Honourable Member from Bawang Assan who is the Opposition leader in this august House had also expressed his gratitude by giving our YAB Premier the full credit of leading Sarawak to generate a revenue of nearly RM12 billion in year 2022, the highest revenue ever in Sarawak history. A compliment from the Opposition is golden, but more importantly, their compliment is speaking the truth.

Tuan Speaker, in our midst of developing Sarawak, Yang Amat Berhormat Premier is also mindful of the importance of preserving our land and environment. We are in fact being given a recognition by the world because of our green initiative.

There is without a doubt that this beautiful land of Borneo, the land of the hornbills that we call Sarawak is being developed with much greater care by the GPS Government under the leadership of our YAB Premier.

Through the various transformational programmes and revenue re-engineering initiatives, Sarawak has a promising future with the establishment of our own Sarawak Sovereign Wealth Future Fund. By establishing the Sovereign Wealth Future Fund, we are committed in building up our financial reserves for the young Sarawakians. Sarawak's story will become and continue to become an inspiration for many that any State can achieve what we had achieved with stability, unity and strong leadership.

Tuan Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to all Honourable Members of this august House for your proper decorum, respect and dedication in raising desires and voices of the rakyat. I also like to congratulate Tuan Speaker and Timbalan Tuan Speaker for having conducting the Dewan proceeding professionally, truthfully and with highest integrity. Congratulations also to Datuk Amar State Secretary and all his officers and subordinates which help and assist the running and proceeding of this august House in smooth, effective and efficient manner.

Before concluding my speech, I also like to take this opportunity to wish to all our Dayak colleagues and friends and the rakyat Selamat *Ari Gawai, Gayu Guru Gerai Nyamai, Lantang Senang Nguan Menoa*.

Tuan Speaker, I now move the motion the First Meeting of the Second Session of the 19<sup>th</sup> State Legislative Assembly to be adjourned. Thank you.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, dengan ucapan usul penangguhan itu tadi, maka kita telah sampai ke penghujung Mesyuarat Pertama bagi Penggal Kedua Dewan Undangan Negeri Ke-19.

Alhamdulillah persidangan yang berlangsung selama lapan hari ini telah berjalan dengan lancar dan teratur atas kerjasama dan keprihatinan semua Ahli Yang Berhormat dalam menjaga ketinggian dan kemuliaan Dewan yang mulia ini. Saya berdoa agar semua Ahli Yang Berhormat kembali ke kawasan masing-masing dengan selamatnya dan terus berkhidmat kepada rakyat. Bagi pihak Dewan yang mulia ini saya ingin juga mengucapkan jutaan terima kasih kepada Yang

Berhormat Setiausaha Kerajaan Negeri, Yang Arif Peguam Besar Negeri, Yang Berbahagia Setiausaha Kewangan Negeri, Yang Berbahagia Setiausaha Persekutuan, Yang Berbahagia Timbalan-timbalan Setiausaha Kerajaan Negeri, Setiausaha Tetap Kementerian, semua Ketua Jabatan dan agensi Kerajaan, para pegawai, para petugas khas dan semua pihak yang telah bertungkus lumus dalam menjayakan persidangan ini.

Bagi pihak Dewan yang mulia ini, saya ingin mengucapkan Selamat Menyambut Hari Keputeraan ke Bawah Duli Yang Maha Mulia Seri Paduka Baginda Yang di-Pertuan Agong yang akan disambut pada 5 Jun 2023. Dengan doa dan harapan supaya Seri Paduka Baginda Yang di-Pertuan Agong dilanjutkan usia serta dikurniakan kesihatan berterusan dan dilimpahi rahmat dan memimpin negara Malaysia yang tercinta.

Saya ingin mengucapkan Selamat Hari Gawai kepada semua yang meraikannya, *Gayu Guyu Gerai Nyamai Lantang Senang Chelap Lindap Nguan Menoa*. Salam Aidiladha diucapkan kepada semua umat Islam di dalam dan di luar Dewan ini. Selamat menyambut Ulang Tahun Sarawak Merdeka Yang Ke-60 tahun kepada semua rakyat Sarawak. Semoga rakyat Sarawak terus maju dan makmur.

Saya akhiri sidang dewan pada kali ini dengan empat rangkap pantun:

*Sarawak permai, suasana mendamaikan,  
Silaturrahim teguh takkan terlerai,  
Suara rakyat tetap diutamakan,  
Soalan diutara isu terhurai.*

*Pergi ke pasar membeli buah,  
Buah hidangan di dalam istana,  
Makmur Sarawak bumi bertuah,  
Dipimpin Premier yang bijaksana.*

*Langkah pahlawan tengah gelanggang,  
Pantang mundur sebelum berjuang,  
Ikon Sarawak si Burung Enggang,  
Maruah Sarawak kita berjuang.*

*Enaknya lauk ditambah serai,  
Dimasak gulai di dalam kual,   
Mesyuarat Pertama melabuh tirai,  
Sesi bajet bersua kembali*

Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, with that the House is now adjourned *sine die*.

*(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada pukul 4.21 petang)*